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A COLLECTION OF REGULATIONS ORDERS AND
INSTRUCTIONS FORMED AND ISSUED FOR THE USE
OF THE ARMY IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE PAY-OFFICE-
ACT AND OTHER OCCASIONS SUBSEQUENT TO THE
24th. OF DECEMBER, 1783—TO WHICH ARE ADDED SUCH
PRIOR REGULATIONS AS HAVE SIMILAR OBJECTS AND
ARE STILL IN FORCE EITHER IN THE WHOLE OR IN
PART.

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A COLLECTION OF REGULATIONS, ORDERS AND
INSTRUCTIONS FORMED AND ISSUED FOR THE USE

ENTERED AT STATIONERS HALL.



ACT AND OTHER REGULATIONS SUBSEQUENT TO THE

24th OF DECEMBER, 1753—TO WHICH ARE ADDED SUCH

AS HAVE SIMILAR OBJECTS AND

ARE STILL IN FORCE EITHER IN THE WHOLE OR IN

PART.

A COLLECTION, &c.

THE Regulations, &c. inserted in this Collection, are divided under the two Heads of DISCIPLINE and ACCOMPTS and in each Division are arranged according to their respective Dates, as SUBSEQUENT or PRIOR to the Commencement of the PAY-OFFICE-ACT,

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OF DISCIPLINE.

REGULATIONS, &c. SUBSEQUENT TO THE 24th OF DEC. 1783.

N^o I.

ATTENDANCE OF OFFICERS.

Copy of a Circular Letter to Agents relative to Officers absent without Leave.

GENTLEMEN,

War-Office, 29th June, 1784.

HAVING had the Honour of representing to the King the great Number of Officers belonging to Regiments abroad, who are returned absent without Leave, or not joined since appointed; I have received his Majesty's Commands to send the Names of such Officers to their respective Agents, with Directions to make no more Issue of Pay to any of them until His Majesty's further Pleasure be known.

I send you accordingly a List of Officers of Regiments to which you are Agent, who are either absent without Leave, or have not joined since appointed, notwithstanding the Time limited for that Purpose by the King's Regulations has long ago expired; and am to signify his Majesty's Pleasure, that no further Issue of Pay be made to them by you, without subsequent Directions from this Office.

You will inform the said Officers of these Orders; as also, that unless they do immediately repair to their Duty, they will be superseded. It will remain for them, on joining their Regiments, to give an Account of their Conduct to their Commanding Officers, who will proceed thereupon in such Manner as shall be judged most expedient.

With respect to those Officers who now have, or may hereafter obtain His Majesty's Leave of Absence, it is his Majesty's Intention to have it clearly understood, that their Pay also will be stopped without further Notice, in Case they do not set out to join their Regiments immediately upon the Expiration of their respective Leaves.

I am

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Officers.

I am to add, that no Leave of Absence given by any Commander in Chief or Governor abroad, is to be considered as valid, for more than six Months from the Date of its being granted; nor can it be prolonged by such Commander in Chief, or Governor, or by any other Authority than that of His Majesty.

As the King's Warrant, dated 11th of February, 1767, contains such Regulations, in regard to the Attendance of Officers belonging to Regiments on Foreign Stations, as would, if properly enforced, prevent the now too frequent Necessity of Complaints, respecting the Want of Officers among the Corps serving abroad; I think it right to recommend to the Colonels of those Regiments a strict and invariable Adherence thereto, as far as depends on them: And for that Purpose I enclose some printed Copies of the said Warrant, that you may transmit the same, together with a Copy of this Letter, to the Colonels of the Regiments.

I am, &c.

GEO. YONGE.

Copy

N^o 1.
Attendance of
Officers.

Copy of a Circular Letter to the Commanding Officers of Regiments on Foreign Stations, relative to not returning Officers, "*not joined since appointed*" after the Expiration of six Months, and to Change of Officers on the Recruiting Service.

S I R,

War-Office, 25th of October, 1786.

Twelve
Months for
Officers of
Regiments in
the East Indies.

I HAVE the Honour to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure, that whenever an Officer, appointed to the Regiment under your Command, shall not have joined in *six Months* from the Date of his Commission, you are to return him "*absent without Leave*;" unless it shall have been signified to you that such Officer has obtained from the King an Extension of his Leave of Absence. His Majesty's Warrant for regulating the Attendance of Officers on Foreign Stations, directs that the newly appointed Officer shall set out to join his Corps within four Months at farthest; and intimates that a reasonable Allowance is to be made by his Commanding Officer for the Uncertainty of a Sea Passage; but when such Allowance has been made, it is no longer proper to continue (as is at present the Practice) to return him "*not joined since appointed*."

I take this Occasion to desire that whatever Changes you direct to be made in the Officers to be employed on the Recruiting Service, you do constantly give the earliest Intelligence thereof to the Agent; whom I shall order, in like Manner, to communicate to you any Alteration that may take place on that Service in Consequence of Directions from the Colonel of the Regiment.

I have, &c.

GEO. YONGE

Officer Commanding the

Regiment of Foot

N^o 2.

ACCOUTREMENTS.

Regulations for the Accoutrements of the Regiments of Foot Guards, and Marching Regiments of Infantry, 1784.

GEORGE R.

Our Will and Pleasure is, That the following Regulations respecting the Accoutrements of Our Regiments of Foot Guards, and Marching Regiments of Infantry, be duly observed and put in Execution at such Times as the particular Articles are, or shall be furnished.

THE whole Quantity of Ammunition carried by each Soldier to be fifty-six Rounds; thirty-two of which are to be carried in a Pouch on his Right Side, and twenty-four in a Cartridge-Box, by way of Magazine, upon a new Construction, to be worn occasionally on his Left Side.

The Pouch to consist of a Tin Box, with five Divisions in it; each containing four Cartridges, placed upright: and of another Tin Box underneath, to hold the remaining twelve Cartridges, placed horizontally, with Divisions in it to fit the Length of the Cartridges. The Flap of the Pouch to be plain, without any Ornament, and the Bottom Part of it to be rounded at the Corners.

The Cartridge-Box by way of Magazine (which will be delivered out of the Stores of Ordnance) to be fixed to the Bayonet-Belt, in such a Manner as to be easily taken off, or put on; it not being intended to be worn except on a March, or on actual Service.

The Cross Belts for the Pouch and Magazine to be made of Buff-Leather, and to be of equal Breadth; viz. two Inches.

That Part of the Belt, in which the Bayonet is carried, to be made to slip on and off, with two Loops.

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The Gayters to be made of Black Woollen Cloth, (instead of Linen), with White Metal Buttons; and without Stiff Tops.

The Grenadier Swords, as also their Matches and Match Cases, to be laid aside.

The Light Infantry to have a small Priming Horn, to hold about two Ounces of Powder (instead of the Horn and Bullet Bag now in use, which are both to be laid aside). The Horn and Hatchet not to be fixed to the Accoutrements; but to be carried either with the Knapfack, or in such other Manner as the Commanding Officer shall think most convenient.

The Light Infantry Cap to be of Black Leather; and to be made, as well as the other Accoutrements herein directed, in exact Conformity to the new Patterns approved by us, and lodged in the Office of the Comptrollers of the Accounts of Our Army.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 21st Day of July, 1784, in the Twenty-fourth Year of Our Reign.

By HIS MAJESTY'S Command,

GEO. YONGE.

N^o 3.

COAST DUTY.

Instructions for the Troops employed on the Coast Duty.

SIR,

War-Office, 25th of April, 1785.

EXPERIENCE has shewn, that the Revenue has not hitherto derived all the Benefit that might have been expected from the Assistance of the Troops employed on the Coast Duty; which may in a great Measure be ascribed to the Men being usually so much dispersed as to be taken almost entirely from under the Controul of their Officers; subjected to the Calls of the Revenue Officers, on every trivial or false Information, and unable, from the smallness of the Detachments, to render effectual Assistance on any real Occasion of Importance.

From these Considerations I have been induced, after consulting some of the principal Officers of Cavalry, to lay the following Plan before the King, which has received His Royal Approbation.

1st. The Regiments stationed upon the Coast shall, as far as possible, be so distributed, that there shall in no Quarter be less than a Subaltern's Command. If in any particular Quarter, unable to accommodate that Number, it may be necessary to have a Quarter-Master's, or Non-commissioned Officer's Party, that Party shall be considered as under the Command of the nearest Subaltern, who is to be informed when it is called out, to take the Charge of it at the Time, and re-inforce it if Occasion requires.

2d. The Officers, on arrival at their respective Posts, shall make themselves thoroughly acquainted with all the Roads in their Neighbourhood; as also with those Parts of the Coast, which, from their Situation and Circumstances, are most likely to be made use of by the Smugglers in landing their Cargoes.

3d. All Applications from the Revenue Officers for Assistance shall be made to the Commissioned Officer commanding at the nearest Post.

4th. All Parties, ordered out in Consequence of such Applications, shall consist of a Subaltern, or Non-commissioned Officer, and twelve Men at least.

5th. Where the Posts are within a reasonable Distance of each other, the several Commanding Officers shall have Directions to co-operate to the utmost of their Abilities for effecting the intended Seizure.

6th. It is to be clearly understood and explained to each Regiment, previous to sending out their Detachments to the Coast Duty, that the Money arising to the Troops from Seizures is to be divided (the usual Proportion of Rank being attended to) among the Subaltern, Quarter-Masters, Non-commissioned Officers, and

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private Men of the Regiment, generally, and not to be confined to those only who are personally concerned in making the Seizure. No 3.
Coast Duty.

7th. The Claims of the Troops on Account of Seizures are to be made up, and delivered to the Boards of Customs and Excise, on or before the 1st Day of December in each Year.

I am now to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure, that the foregoing Particulars be duly observed by the Regiment
of Dragoons under your Command, which is to be stationed for the
Assistance of the Revenue Officers in the County of according to the
Disposition contained in the Route hereunto annexed.

You will observe by the Route, that after you have made yourself thoroughly acquainted with your Districts, and have consulted the principal Revenue Officers on the Spot, you are empowered to make such Alterations in the said Disposition as may be judged necessary for the most effectual Execution of this Duty; and to change the Detachments from Time to Time, with a View of rendering both the Fatigue and Discipline of the Corps as equal as possible.

I have the Honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient and

Most humble Servant,

GEO. YONGE.

Officer commanding the

Regiment of Dragoons.

N^o 4.

PURCHASE AND SALE OF COMMISSIONS.

Copy of a Circular Letter to Colonels of Regiments.

SIR,

War-Office, 18th of March, 1786.

I Have received His Majesty's Commands to acquaint you, It is His Royal Pleasure, that in future, when an Officer is desirous of retiring from the Service, either by the Sale of his Commission, or by Exchange to the Half Pay, he shall not make any Stipulation in regard to the particular Officer, who shall succeed him; but shall confine the Prayer of his Memorial to the immediate Object of his retiring, and be bound by his Resignation to sell out or exchange in favour of such Person as His Majesty shall think fit to approve.

This Order is by no Means intended to interfere with, or to counteract, the Wishes of the Colonels; who will continue, as before, to recommend the Successions in their respective Regiments: His Majesty however expects from them, that they will not propose to bring in any Officer, either from another Regiment, or from the Half Pay, without having themselves a sufficient Knowledge of the Character and former Services of such Officer, and having previously satisfied themselves, by every Enquiry in their Power, that the King's Regulations on that Head are intended to be strictly complied with; it being evident, that by leaving their Officers at Liberty to select their own Successors, and by accepting their Nominations, the Business of Military Promotion has in too many Instances been conducted in such a Manner as to defeat the Purposes of His Majesty's Regulations, notwithstanding every Endeavour of Office to enforce their due and punctual Observance.

I have, &c.

Signed GEO. YONGE.

Colonel of the

Regiment.

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N^o 4.
Purchase and
Sale of Com-
missions.

Copy of a Circular Letter to the Commanding Officers of
Regiments, relative to a Return of Officers for Purchase.

SIR,

War-Office, 6th December, 1786.

THE King having thought fit to direct, that a General Return shall be prepared for His Information of all Officers capable and desirous of purchasing forward in their respective Corps at the Regulated Price; I have the Honour to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure, that you do transmit to me, with as little Delay as possible, a List of the Officers of your Regiment, who now come under that Description. And, as Changes may frequently take Place in the Circumstances of particular Officers, it is His Majesty's further Pleasure, that similar Lists be transmitted from your Regiment to this Office every six Months until further Orders.

I have the Honour to be,

SIR, &c.

GEO. YONGE.

Officer commanding the Regiment of



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ATTENDANCE OF OFFICERS.

Warrant for regulating the Attendance of Officers belonging to the several Regiments of Cavalry.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We were pleased, by our Warrant bearing Date the 27th Day of July 1764, to establish certain Rules and Regulations for the Attendance of the several Officers of Our Regiments of Horse and Dragoons within Our Kingdom of Great Britain, with their respective Corps; And whereas We have since found it necessary for the Good of Our Service, to establish some farther Regulations for the Attendance of the said Officers; We have therefore judged it proper to revoke and annul Our Warrant abovementioned, and We do hereby revoke and annul the same; And Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that in lieu thereof, and for the more effectual Maintenance of good Order and Discipline in Our Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, and in our Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, the following Rules be strictly observed; for the exact Execution of which, the Colonel and Field Officer commanding each Regiment are to be responsible.

1st. That with each of Our said Regiments one Field Officer shall be always present with the Regiment; that one Captain shall be present with each Squadron, and one Subaltern with each Troop.

2d. That the Colonel or Field Officer commanding each Regiment may grant Leave of Absence to such other Officers whose private Affairs may require it, taking care always to detain, or from time to time to call in a sufficient Number of Officers to do the Duty of the Regiment, in case it should be so situated, as to require the Attendance of more Officers than We have hereby directed to be constantly present.

3d. That the Officers appointed to carry on the Recruiting Service shall not be included in the Number hereby fixed for the constant Duty of the Regiment, or in the Number of those who shall be farther called in by the Commanding Officer for that Duty.

4th. That

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4th. That the Monthly Return of each Regiment be made up and transmitted as usual on the First of each Month to Our Secretary at War, and to the Adjutant General of Our Forces : and that the Return of the absent Officers, which We have directed to be made on the fourteenth of each Month, shall, in like Manner, be made up and transmitted from the Head Quarters of every Regiment in England to Our Secretary at War, and to the Adjutant General of Our Forces ; and from the Regiments in North Britain to the Officer commanding on that Station for the Time being ; and the Commanding Officer by whom the said Returns shall be signed is carefully to examine the same, as he is to be responsible that they are in every respect conformable to Our Regulations.

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Officers.

5th. That the Number of Officers hereby ordered to be present shall remain with their Commands until they shall be relieved ; and notwithstanding the Returns are ordered to be transmitted on the 1st and 14th of each Month, yet the Officers are to continue at Quarters during all the intermediate Time ; and the Commanding Officer is hereby enjoined not to permit them to absent themselves from the Duty they are employed on, except in Cases of great Emergency, and then but for two Days only ; and all Leaves so granted are to be specified in the next Return, with the Reasons for granting them.

6th. That no Application shall be made, either to Us, or to the Commander in Chief of Our Forces, for a Leave of Absence for any Officer of our said Regiments, except through the Colonel or Field Officer commanding the Regiment ; and that all such Applications shall be so regulated that no particular Officer shall be absent from his Duty too long at one time. The same Caution is to be observed in limiting the Leaves granted by the Colonel or Officer commanding each Regiment.

7th. That every Officer, whether taken from the Half-Pay or otherwise, on being appointed to a Regiment shall join it within four Months at farthest from the Date of his Commission ; unless he shall have obtained particular Leave of Absence, which is not to be granted except on very cogent Reasons.

8th. That if any Officer so appointed shall exceed the Time hereby limited without Leave obtained for that Purpose, He shall be returned, *absent without Leave* : and the Date of his Commission is to be specified in the Return, it being Our firm Intention immediately to supersede any Officer who shall neglect to pay due Obedience to this Our Order.

9th. That every Officer newly appointed, and who has never before served in any of Our Regiments of Cavalry, shall, upon joining his Regiment, remain in Quarters, until he shall be perfected in Riding and all Regimental Duty.

10th. That no Officer belonging to any of Our Regiments of Cavalry stationed in Great Britain shall go out of the Kingdom without Leave obtained from Us ; the Warrant for which is to express the Time for which the Leave is granted, and is to be entered in the Office of Our Secretary at War.

11th. All Officers while present with their Corps are constantly to wear their Uniforms.

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12th. Every Officer is to be present with his Regiment annually in England by the 10th Day of March, and in Scotland by the 10th of April, and remain with it till after the Spring Review; and this Our Order is upon no Account to be dispensed with, except a particular Leave shall be obtained for that Purpose from Us, or the Commander in Chief of Our Forces; and no such Leave shall be applied for except in Cases of absolute unavoidable Necessity.

13th. All Recruing Officers and Recruits are to join their respective Corps in England by the 10th of March, and in Scotland by the 10th of April, as We do expect that our Regiments on each Station shall be compleat annually in Men by those respective days.

And We do hereby direct that all and several the Rules and Regulations hereby established be punctually observed, upon pain of Our highest Displeasure. Given at Court at St. James's the eleventh Day of February 1767, in the seventh Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

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REGULATIONS, &c. PRIOR TO THE 25th OF DEC. 1783.

No. 1.
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Officers.

Warrant for regulating the Attendance of Officers belonging
to the several Regiments of Infantry.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We were pleased, by Our Warrant, bearing Date the 27th Day of July, 1764, to establish certain Rules and Regulations for the Attendance of the several Officers of our Regiments of Foot, within our Kingdom of Great Britain, with their respective Corps; and whereas We have since found it necessary for the Good of our Service, to establish some farther Regulations for the Attendance of the said Officers; We have therefore judged it proper to revoke and annul Our Warrant above-mentioned, and We do hereby revoke and annul the same. And Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that in Lieu thereof, and for the more effectual Maintenance of good Order and Discipline in Our said Regiments of Foot, the following Rules be strictly observed; for the exact Execution of which the Colonel and Field Officer commanding each Regiment are to be responsible.

1st. That with each Battalion of Infantry there be always present one Field Officer and three Captains; and one Subaltern with each Company.

2d. That the Colonel or Field Officer commanding each Regiment may grant Leave of Absence to such other Officers whose private Affairs may require it, taking Care always to detain, or from Time to Time to call in, a sufficient Number of Officers to do the Duty of the Regiment, in Case it should be so situated as to require the Attendance of more Officers than We have hereby directed to be constantly present.

3d. That the Officers appointed to carry on the Recruiting Service shall not be included in the Number hereby fixed for the constant Duty of the Regiment, or in the Number of those who shall be farther called in by the Commanding Officer for that Duty.

4th. That the Monthly Return of each Regiment be made up and transmitted as usual to Our Secretary at War, and to the Adjutant General of Our Forces; and that the Return of the absent Officers, which we have directed to be made on the Fourteenth of each Month, shall, in like Manner, be made up and transmitted from the Head Quarters of every Regiment in England to Our Secretary at War, and to the Adjutant General of Our Forces; and from the Regiments in North Britain, to the Officer commanding on that Station for the Time being; and the
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N^o 1. Commanding Officer by whom the said Returns shall be signed, is carefully to examine the same, as he is to be responsible that they are in every Respect conformable to Our Regulations.

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5th. That the Number of Officers, hereby ordered to be present, shall remain, with their Commands until they shall be relieved; and notwithstanding the Returns are ordered to be transmitted on the 1st and 14th of each Month, yet the Officers are to continue at Quarters during all the intermediate Time, and the Commanding Officer is hereby enjoined not to permit them to absent themselves from the Duty they are employed on, except in Cases of great Emergency, and then but for two Days only: And all Leaves so granted are to be specified in the next Return, with the Reasons for granting them.

6th. That no Application shall be made, either to Us, or to the Commander in Chief of Our Forces, for a Leave of Absence for any Officer of Our said Regiments, except through the Colonel or Field Officer commanding the Regiment; and that all such Applications shall be so regulated, that no particular Officer shall be absent from his Duty too long at one Time. The same Caution is to be observed in limiting the Leaves granted by the Colonel or Officer commanding each Regiment.

7th. That every Officer, whether taken from the Half Pay or otherwise, on being appointed to the Regiment, shall join it within four Months at farthest from the Date of his Commission, unless he shall have obtained a particular Leave of Absence, which is not to be granted except on very cogent Reasons.

8th. That if any Officer so appointed shall exceed the Time hereby limited, without a Leave obtained for that Purpose, he shall be returned "absent without Leave;" and the Date of his Commission is to be specified in the Return; it being Our firm Intention immediately to supersede any Officer, who shall neglect to pay due Obedience to this Our Order.

9th. That every Officer newly appointed, and who has never before been in Our Service, shall, upon joining his Regiment, remain in Quarters until he shall be perfected in all Regimental Duty.

10th. That no Officer belonging to any of Our said Regiments, stationed in Great Britain, shall go out of the Kingdom without Leave obtained from Us, the Warrant for which is to express the Time for which the Leave is granted, and is to be entered in the Office of our Secretary at War.

11th. All Officers, while present with their Corps, are constantly to wear their Uniforms.

12th. Every Officer is to be present with his Regiment annually in England by the 10th Day of March, and in Scotland by the 10th of April, and remain with it till after the Spring Review: And this Our Order is upon no account to be dispensed with, except a particular Leave shall be obtained for that Purpose from Us, or the Commander in Chief of our Forces; and no such Leave shall be applied for, except in Cases of absolute and unavoidable Necessity.

13th. All Recruiting Officers and Recruits are to join their respective Corps in England by the 10th of March, and in Scotland by the 10th of April; as
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We do expect that our Regiments on each Station shall be compleat annually by those respective Days. ^{N 1.} Attendance of Officers.

And We do hereby direct that all and severall the Rules and Regulations hereby established be punctually observed, upon Pain of Our highest Displeasure. Given at our Court at St. James's, the eleventh Day of February 1767, in the seventh Year of our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

B A R R I N G T O N.

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Officers.

**Warrant for regulating the Attendance of Officers belonging to
Regiments on Foreign Stations.**

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We have thought it necessary for the good Order and Discipline of Our Forces stationed in Our Garrisons and other Our Dominions beyond the Seas, to establish certain Rules and Regulations for the due Attendance of the Officers belonging to, or who shall be appointed to Commissions in Our said Forces, Our Will and Pleasure is, that the same be observed strictly as follows.

1st. That when any Officer who may be in Britain or Ireland shall be appointed to a Commission in any of our Regiments stationed abroad, he shall set out to join his Regiment within four Months at farthest from the Date of his Commission, unless he shall have obtained Our Leave of Absence for a longer Time ; it being Our firm Intention to supersede any Officer, who shall disobey this Our Order.

2d. Application shall not be made to Us for farther Leave, except on very extraordinary Occasions ; and it shall then be made through the Colonel of the Regiment, if he is in Britain.

3d. All Leaves granted by Us for any Term beyond the four Months above-mentioned shall express the particular Time for which they are granted, and shall be entered in the Office of Our Secretary at War ; and all Colonels are hereby required to take Care that all Officers, when newly appointed to their respective Regiments, be apprised of these Our Orders ; and report to Us, if they shall find that they are not strictly complied with.

4th. The Officer commanding on each Station shall be made acquainted with the Leaves so granted, and shall transmit the same to the respective Regiments, in order that they may be inserted in the Monthly Returns.

5th. A List of all Officers newly appointed shall be transmitted by Our Secretary at War, by the earliest Opportunity, to the Colonel of the Regiment, if he be in Britain ; as also to the Commander or Governor where the respective Regiments are stationed, with the Dates of their Commissions.

6th. The said List shall be transmitted by the said Commander or Governor to each Regiment under his Command ; and when any Officer shall be returned " not joined," the Date of his Commission shall be inserted in the Return ; to the End that We may be satisfied of the due Performance of Our Commands herein.

7th. When any Officer belonging to a Regiment stationed abroad shall obtain Leave of Absence from the Commander in Chief, Governor, or Commanding Officer, it shall be for a limited Time only ; which Time shall be specified in the Returns ; and before the Expiration thereof, he shall join his Regiment.

8th.

REGULATIONS, &c. PRIOR TO THE 25th OF DEC. 1783.

8th. But as, from the Uncertainty of a Sea Passage, it may sometimes happen that an Officer may not return exactly to the Day prescribed by his Leave, the Commanding Officer is in that Case to enquire, and make proper Allowances; the whole of which is to be explained in the next Return.

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9th. And Whereas it may be necessary in some particular Cases to prolong the Leaves so granted, the Colonel of the Regiment is upon such Occasions to make the Application, in order that it may be properly laid before Us; and if granted, the same is to be signified by our Secretary at War to the respective Commander or Governor, with the particular Time for which each Leave is prolonged; in order that the Officer Commanding the Regiment may be acquainted therewith.

10th. But in order to prevent the Necessity of frequent Applications to Us upon this Head, it is our Pleasure that such Leave shall in the first Instance be granted, as is reasonable and sufficient; it not being Our Intention to prolong the same, except in very particular Cases and Circumstances, which could not have been foreseen by Our said Governors or Commanders.

11th. The respective Commanders in Chief, Governors, and Field Officers, are to be responsible, that according to the Situation and Circumstances of each Regiment there are always a sufficient Number of Officers present to do the Duty.

And We do hereby direct that all and several the Rules and Regulations hereby established be punctually observed, upon Pain of our highest Displeasure. Given at Our Court at St. James's, the eleventh Day of February 1767, in the seventh Year of Our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

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N^o 2.

REVIEWING AND RECRUITING ON FOREIGN STATIONS.

Extract of a Regulation for Regiments on Foreign Stations,
bearing Date the 8th Day of January, 1768.

“**W**HEREAS it hath been humbly represented unto Us, that it would tend to the Preservation of good Order and Discipline in Our several Marching Regiments of Foot, which are or may be upon Foreign Stations, to have some certain Regulations laid down by Us for reviewing and recruiting those Regiments, as well as for keeping them compleat in Arms, Accoutrements, and Clothing; Our Will and Pleasure is, that the following Rules and Regulations be, for this Purpose, strictly observed for the future, by Our Commander in Chief in North America, and by all Our Governors and Officers commanding Our Regiments abroad, and by all other Our Military Officers whom it may concern.

That all the old and unserviceable Men, who are in any of Our Regiments above-mentioned, be discharged as soon as soon as possible, and such as are proper Objects recommended to Our Bounty of Chelsea; Care being however taken at the same Time, not to diminish the Numbers of any Regiment, so far as to prejudice the Service on which it may be employed. And it is Our Will and Pleasure, that this Duty, which We esteem to be indispensable, should be observed, not only now, but constantly; as We expect that Our said Regiments shall at all Times be maintained in such a State of Compleatness, Strength, and Discipline, as to be always prepared for immediate Service.

That constant Care be taken to keep as many Parties employed upon the Recruiting Service as the Number of Vacancies and the State of each Regiment may require.

That positive Orders be given to all Officers who shall be sent with the Command of Recruiting Parties, that they do not enlist any Men but such as are in every respect fit for our Service; and that they be informed, that a most strict Examination will be regularly made of their Recruits; and that such of them, as do not answer the Instructions, shall be rejected.

And Whereas it is essential to the Good of Our Service, that the Arms, Accoutrements, and Cloathing of Our said Regiments should be always kept compleat,
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and in proper serviceable Order, and that the strictest Attention should be had, not only to the Discipline, but to the interior Œconomy of each Corps : For this Purpose, Our Will and Pleasure is, that each of our said Regiments (provided it may not be inconsistent with the Service on which they may be severally employed), shall be assembled annually, at the most convenient Season, and reviewed and inspected by the Commander in Chief, Governor, Brigadier, or any other Officer under whose Command it may happen to be, by whom the following Returns are to be made up and sent, as soon as may be practicable after the Review and Inspection hereby directed, to Our Secretary at War, and Adjutant General of Our Forces, respectively, according to the Form herewith transmitted, in order to their being laid before Us ; viz. A Return of Officers present and absent ; a Return of Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men ; a General Return of the Regiment ; a Field Return ; and a Return of the State of the Arms, Accoutrements, and Cloathing.

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That the Officer, who shall respectively review and inspect each Regiment, do add such further Remarks and Observations of his own, as may, in every Particular, tend to give Us full Information of the actual State and Condition of each Regiment.

That if, from the Circumstances of Our Service, any Regiment shall be so situated that it cannot be assembled, the different Parts of it shall be inspected in such Manner as the Commander in Chief, Governor, Brigadier, or other Officer, under whose Command it may happen to be, shall think most convenient for the Service ; and that the Returns, according to the Forms which are now ordered, shall be made up and transmitted by the earliest Opportunity.

And We do hereby direct, that all and several the Rules and Regulations hereby established be punctually observed, upon Pain of our Highest Displeasure.

N^o 3.

DUTY IN BREVET RANK.

War-Office, 26th of November, 1765.

I AM commanded to signify the King's Pleasure, on the two following Points, to the Officers of the Regiment under your Command: This I cannot do more properly than through you, who I am persuaded will take the most effectual Care that His Majesty's Intentions shall be fully known and understood in the Regiment of

Any Officer, who by the King's Leave shall quit a Commission which he has in any Regiment or Corps; and who at that Time also enjoys a Rank in the Army superior to his said Regimental Commission, shall not be considered as entitled to any Rank whatever in the Army, unless His Majesty shall expressly signify His Pleasure to be otherwise.

Officers (not being General Officers) having a Rank in the Army superior to that of the Commission which they bear in any Regiment or Corps, are not thereby to be exempted from their Attendance at Quarters, and doing Regimental Duty, according to their Rank in the Corps to which they belong.

I have, &c.

BARRINGTON.

Colonel of

Regiment of

N^o 4.

CLOATHING AND APPOINTMENTS.

Warrant for regulating the Cloathing of the Regiments of Infantry.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS Our late Royal Grandfather was pleased, by his Warrant bearing Date the 20th Day of November 1729, to establish a certain Regulation for the Cloathing of the Forces, to be observed in Time of Peace; And Whereas We think fit to order certain Alterations to be made in the Cloathing of our Marching Regiments of Foot, Our Will and Pleasure is, that, instead of the Rules laid down by the above Warrant, relative to the Cloathing of the Infantry, the following Regulation shall be, for the future, observed.

For a Foot Soldier for the next Cloathing.

- A good Cloth Coat, well lined, looped with worsted Lace.
- A Waistcoat.
- A Pair of good Cloth Breeches.
- A Pair of good strong Stockings.
- A Pair of good strong Shoes.
- A good Shirt, and a good Neck-cloth.
- A good strong Hat, bound with white Tape.

For the next, and every succeeding Year.

- A good Cloth Coat, well lined, looped with worsted Lace.
- The Fore Part of a Waistcoat; the Hind Part to be made out of that of the preceding Year.

A Pair

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A Pair of good Cloth Breeches.

A Pair of good strong Stockings.

A Pair of good strong Shoes.

A good Shirt, and a Neck-cloth.

A good strong Hat, bound with a white Tape.

For the Fuzileer Regiments, Companies of Grenadiers, and Drummers, black Bear Skin Caps, to be furnished as often as shall be necessary.

And our Will and Pleasure is, that all the other Regulations laid down by the abovementioned Warrant of the 20th of November 1729, for the Cloathing of Our Marching Regiments, do continue in Force and be duly observed. Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 27th Day of July 1768, in the Eighth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

B A R R I N G T O N.

Warrant

Warrant establishing certain Regulations with Respect to
Clothing and Regimental Appointments.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS the General Officers of Our Army, to whom We were pleased to refer the Consideration of some proper Method for the preventing of Disputes between Colonels of Regiments and their Predecessors, with respect to Clothing and Regimental Appointments, have, in their several Reports, bearing Date the 19th of March, 1774, the 6th of February last, and the 22d of May last, submitted to Us sundry Regulations to the Effect hereunder mentioned; We, having thought fit to approve thereof, are pleased hereby to authorize and direct, that the same may be duly observed and put in Execution, as follows.

That the Commanding Officer present with every Regiment of Horse, Dragoons, and Infantry, together with the Officer next in Seniority, not under the Rank of Captain, do annually, between the 25th Day of December and the 25th Day of January, make a strict Inspection into the State and Condition of the different Appointments and Accoutrements of the Regiment, and do cause to be drawn out an accurate State, under the several Heads, of such Accoutrements and Appointments as shall be wanting at that Time; and likewise of such as will, in their Opinion, be necessary to compleat the Regiment for Service against the Review to be made of such Regiment by one of Our General Officers in the ensuing Spring, or as soon after as Our Service will permit; and that such State be entered in the Regimental Book.

That the Colonel do provide and send to the Regiment all such Accoutrements or Appointments, agreeable to the said State, early in the Spring; or, in the Case of Regiments on Foreign Stations, as soon as the same may be practicable.

That the Commanding Officer do certify to the Reviewing General what Articles have been furnished by the Colonel, and delivered to the Regiment.

That the Reviewing General do mention in his Report to Us, whether the several Articles necessary for compleating the Regiment for Service have been provided.

And that, besides the Inspection and Entry herein before directed to be made
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with respect to the Accoutrements and Appointments necessary to compleat the Regiment to the next Review, a State be also drawn out at the same Time, or as soon after as conveniently may be, and in like Manner entered in the Regimental Book, of such as, in the Opinion of the like Inspecting Officers, may become liable to be cast before the Expiration of the Assignment.

And We hereby think proper to declare, agreeable to the humble Recommendation of Our said Board of General Officers, That it is Our Royal Intention, that the necessary Articles for compleating our Regiments for Service having been provided, agreeable to such respective States and Entries, the Colonel and his Representatives shall be exempted from any further Claim in respect of Accoutrements or Regimental Appointments during the Period for which the Off-reckonings are assigned, and the same shall be conclusive, in Case of a Vacancy, as well against any Demands which may be made by the succeeding Colonel, as otherwise.

And Whereas Our said Board of General Officers have given their Opinion, that if an annual Supply shall be effectually made in the Manner herein before specified, the Regulations now subsisting, and particularly those established by a Warrant of Our Royal Grandfather, bearing date the 30th of May, 1736, which have been found, by late Experience, to be not adapted to the present Circumstances of Our Service, may, without Detriment or Hazard, be abrogated; and that it will be unnecessary to ascertain any stated Periods for the providing of the usual different Species of Appointments and Accoutrements; We do hereby revoke and annul the said Warrant, and likewise such Parts of any other Warrants now in Force, as relate to the providing of Appointments and Accoutrements at stated Periods.

And as the 9th Day of November, annually, is, according to the present Regulation, fixed for the viewing and sealing of Patterns for the Clothing of Our Army, from which Act the several Colonels become entitled to the Assignment of their respective Off-reckonings; Our Will and Pleasure further is, that with respect to Regiments raised previous to the 27th Day of June, 1779, if it shall happen that Our Clothing Board shall be prevented from meeting, or if by any Means other than by the Colonel's own Default, proper Patterns shall not have been exhibited on the 9th Day of November in any Year, the Colonel, or his Representatives, shall be permitted, upon exhibiting proper Patterns, to make an Assignment; and such Assignment, when made, shall vest the like Interest in the Colonel and his Representatives, and his or their Assigns, and they shall respectively be entitled to the Benefit of the Assigned Off-reckonings in like Manner as if the Assignment had been actually made on the said 9th Day of November.

And in regard to the Regiments raised since the 27th Day of June, 1779, the Commencement of whose Off-reckonings is regulated by the Date of their respective Establishments, Our Will and Pleasure is, that Patterns of their Clothing be exhibited, and, the same being approved and sealed in the usual Manner, that an Assignment of their Off-reckonings be permitted to be made Eight Months before the respective Times at which the New Clothing for such Regiments is to be delivered

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vered to the Soldiers, being the usual Space of Time allowed for the providing of Clothing for Our Army in general: And We do hereby also allow to the Colonels of such Regiments, or their Representatives, the like Privilege of assigning, and the Benefit of the Off-reckonings, during the Period for which the same might have been assigned from the respective Days whereon they are authorized to exhibit Patterns to the Clothing Board, notwithstanding the Board shall not have then met to view and seal the said Patterns, and unless the not exhibiting of proper Patterns shall have proceeded from his or their own Default.

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Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 15th Day of August, 1781, and in the 21st Year of our Reign,

By His Majesty's Command.

C. JENKINSON.

N^o 5.

PURCHASE AND SALE OF COMMISSIONS.

IT is the King's Pleasure, that, for the Future, whenever any Officer in the Army shall desire to sell his Commission, he shall sign a Memorial, stating the Grounds on which he forms his Expectations of being permitted to dispose of his Commission, and praying that he may be allowed to sell it at the regulated Price to any Person whom His Majesty shall appoint.

If such Memorialist be with the Regiment, he shall deliver his Memorial to the Officer commanding at Quarters, who shall send the same to his Colonel (if within the Realm) who must approve thereof previous to its being laid before His Majesty. But in the Absence of the Colonel, if the Lieutenant-Colonel be not at Quarters, the Memorial shall be sent to him in order that he may transmit it to the War-Office, certifying under his Hand the Truth of the Facts therein contained, so far as his Knowledge or Belief may extend.

In North America these Memorials shall be transmitted, certified as aforesaid, to the Commander in Chief: In Gibraltar and Minorca, to the Governor or Commandant for the Time being in these Stations: But in the West Indies they may be sent directly to the War-Office. It is however the King's Pleasure, that a Duplicate shall at the same Time be always sent to the Colonel of the Regiment. Given at the War-Office, this 23d Day of December, 1775.

By his Majesty's Command,

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PRICES OF COMMISSIONS.

O R D E R S.

Head Quarters, 14th August, 1783.

HIS Majesty, having referred to His Board of General Officers to consider, whether any Alteration should be made in the Prices of Commissions as fixed by His Majesty's Regulations; and also, of the most proper Means to confirm and make effectual His Majesty's former Directions on that Subject; and the Report and Opinion of the said Board having been approved by the King; the Commander in Chief has, in Consequence thereof, received His Majesty's Orders to signify his Royal Pleasure to the several Colonels of Regiments, that the following Regulations relative to the buying and selling, or exchanging of Commissions, be for the future strictly and invariably adhered to throughout every Corps in His Majesty's Service; the Troops of Horse Guards and Horse Grenadier Guards, and the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, excepted.

The Prices of all Commissions are to remain the same, as apportioned and fixed by His Majesty's former Regulations.

When an Officer is desirous to sell his Commission, he is to make Application in Writing to the Colonel of the Regiment he belongs to, or, in his Absence, to the Field Officer commanding the Regiment; praying for His Majesty's Leave to dispose of his Commission at the Regulated Price; stating that he thereby means to resign all Pretensions to any future Rank or Promotion in the Army; and solemnly declaring, on the Word and Honour of an Officer and a Gentleman, that nothing beyond the Price limited by His Majesty's Regulation is stipulated or promised, directly or indirectly; and that no other Mode of Compensation, or Gratuity, is in Contemplation of the Parties, or shall be given or accepted, in respect of such Sale, or Purchase. This Application is to be transmitted by the Colonel, if in Great Britain, or else by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, to the Adjutant General when His Majesty shall think fit to entrust to any Officer

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the Command in Chief of his Forces; otherwise, to the Secretary at War; accompanied with a Declaration from the said Colonel or Commanding Officer of the Regiment, that he verily believes the established Regulation with regard to Price is intended to be strictly complied with, and that no clandestine Bargain subsists between the Parties concerned.

The same Mode is to be observed in all Cases of Exchange from Half Pay to Full Pay; as well as of Exchange from one Corps to another.

The Colonel, or Commanding Officer, is at the same Time to transmit the Names of such Officers in the Regiment, as are willing to purchase in Succession, and as he shall recommend for that Purpose.

But when the Officers recommended are not the Eldest in their Rank, he must signify his Reasons why the Senior Officers are not recommended.

Application in Writing must also be made by the Officer who desires to purchase, stating his Pretensions; accompanied with the like Declaration on his Part as is herein before prescribed with regard to the Officer applying for Leave to sell, expressly pledging his Word and Honour as an Officer and a Gentleman, that he is not to give, nor will, either now, or at any future Time, give, by any Means, or in any Shape whatever, directly or indirectly, any more than the Regulated Price.

And His Majesty has, by the Advice of his Board of General Officers, been further pleased to declare His Determination, that any Officer who shall be found to have given, or to have stipulated or promised, directly or indirectly, to give any Thing beyond the Regulated Price, in Disobedience to these His Majesty's Orders, or by any Subterfuge or Equivocation to have evaded the same, and to have thereby shamefully forfeited his Honour as an Officer and a Gentleman, shall be dismissed from His Majesty's Service.

The above Orders are to be regularly entered in the Orderly Book of each Regiment; together with the particular Forms hereunto annexed, which are to be made Use of by all Officers, who may hereafter have Occasion to apply to their respective Commanding Officers, in any of the Cases referred to therein.

By Order of the

COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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Form to be made Use of by Officers when they apply to their respective Commanding Officers for Leave to sell their Commissions.

S I R,

I BEG you will be pleased to obtain for me His Majesty's Consent to the Sale of my Commission of

[Here he is to specify the Commission intended to be disposed of, adding, in Case he may have purchased it, the following Words, " which I purchased;" and if not, such other Reasons as he may have to offer as Grounds of his Pretensions to that Indulgence. After having fully stated these, he is to add as follows, viz.]

In Case His Majesty shall be graciously pleased to permit the same, my Intention is thereby to resign all Right and Pretension to any future Rank or Promotion in the Army; and I do further declare and certify, upon the Word and Honour of an Officer and a Gentleman, that I have not demanded or accepted, neither will I demand, or accept, directly or indirectly, at any Time, or in any Manner whatever, more than the Sum of £. being the Price limited and fixed by His Majesty's Regulation, as the full Value of the said Commission.

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Form to be made Use of by Officers when they apply to their respective Commanding Officers for Leave to purchase Commissions.

S I R,

I BEG you will be pleased to obtain for me His Majesty's Permission to purchase the

[Here he is to specify the Commission he is desirous of purchasing, also the particular Grounds on which he founds his Application; after having stated which, he is to add as follows, viz.]

In Case His Majesty shall be graciously pleased to permit me to purchase the said Commission, I do declare and certify, upon the Word and Honour of an Officer and a Gentleman, that I will not, either now, or at any future Time, give, by any Means, or in any Shape whatever, directly or indirectly, any more than the Sum of £. being the Price limited and fixed by His Majesty's Regulation, as the full Value of the said Commission.

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Form to be made Use of by Officers when they apply to their respective Commanding Officers for Leave to exchange their Commissions with Officers on Half Pay.

S I R,

I B E G you will be pleased to obtain for me His Majesty's Permission to exchange with

[Here he is to mention the Officer's Name and Rank with whom he is desirous of exchanging (who must of course be of the same Rank with himself), and the Number or Name of the Reduced Corps to which he belongs; assigning, at the same Time, his Reasons for making the Application for such Exchange, &c.; after which he will add as follows, viz.]

In Case His Majesty shall be graciously pleased to permit me to make the said Exchange, my Intention is thereby to resign all Right and Title to any future Promotion, or Provision in the Army; and I do further declare and certify, upon the Word and Honour of an Officer and a Gentleman, that I will not, either now, or at any future Time, demand or accept, by any Means, or in any Shape whatever, directly or indirectly, any more than the Sum of £.

being the Difference between the Value of my Commission and that of the said Half Pay, as the same is limited and fixed by His Majesty's Regulation.

N. B. In a Case where an Officer means to go from Full to Half Pay, without taking any Difference, the same is to be expressly stated in his Letter of Application to the Commanding Officer for Leave to make such Exchange; in Consideration of which, he will not forfeit his Pretensions in the Army, but may apply upon any proper Occasion afterwards to be reinstated in it.

The above Application is to be accompanied with one drawn up in the same Form (*mutatis mutandis*) by the Half Pay Officer, with whom the Exchange is proposed to be made.

By Order of the

COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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P R I C E S of C O M M I S S I O N S, &c.

As apportioned and fixed by HIS MAJESTY'S Regulations.

		<div>Full Price of Commis- sions.</div>	<div>Difference in Value between the several Commissions in Succession.</div>	<div>Half Pay at 10 Years Pur- chase.</div>	<div>Difference in Value between Half Pay and Full Pay.</div>
Horse.	Lieut. Colonel	£.5200.	£. 950.	-	-
	Major	4250.	1150.	-	-
	Captain	3100.	650.	-	-
	Captain Lieut. with Rank of Captain	2450.	700.	-	-
	Lieutenant	1750.	150.	-	-
	Cornet	1600.	1600.	-	-
Drag. Guards & Dragoons.	Lientenant Colonel	£.5350.	£.1100.	£.1825.	£. 3525.
	Major	4250.	1100.	1460.	2790.
	Captain	3150.	1050.	1003. 15.	2146. 5.
	Captain Lieut. with Rank of Captain	2100.	735.	547. 10.	1552. 10.
	Lieutenant	1365.	262. 10.	547. 10.	817. 10.
	Cornet	1102. 10.	1102. 10.	456. 5.	646. 5.
Foot Guards.	Lieutenant Colonel	£.6700.	£. 400.	-	-
	First Major	6300.	2800.	-	-
	Second Major				
	Third Major				
	Captain, with Rank of Lieut. Col.	3500.	900.	-	-
	Captain Lieutenant, with Ditto	2600.	1100.	-	-
	Lieutenant, with Rank of Captain	1500.	600.	-	-
Ensign	900.	900.	-	-	
Marching Regiments of Foot.	Lieutenant Colonel	£.3500.	£. 900.	£.1551. 5.	£. 1948. 15.
	Major	2600.	1100.	1368. 15.	1231. 5.
	Half Pay at 9 Years Purchase.				
	Captain	£.1500.	550.	821. 5.	678. 15.
	Captain Lieut. with Rank of Captain	950.	400.	383. 5.	566. 15.
	Lieutenant	550.	150.	383. 5.	166. 15.
	Ensign	400.	400.	301. 2. 6.	98. 17. 6.
	In the Regiments of Fuzileers, which have first and second Lieutenants.				
	1st Lieutenant	£. 550.	£. 100.	£. 383. 5.	£. 166. 15.
	2d Lieutenant	450.	450.	301. 2. 6.	148. 17. 6.

By His Majesty's Command,

RICHARD FITZ PATRICK.

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OF ACCOUNTS.

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N^o I.

EXTRACTS FROM THE PAY OFFICE ACT.

XXVII. **A**ND whereas it is necessary that Accounts of the Recruiting Service should be regularly transmitted; be it enacted, That every Officer employed in the Recruiting any Regiment, Troop, or Company, of His Majesty's Forces, shall, and he is hereby directed and required, every Two Months, to make up and to transmit, examined and certified by his Commanding Officer, if resident in Great Britain (who in this Case shall, and he is hereby directed and required to certify the same), to the Adjutant General of His Majesty's Forces, an Abstract of the Numbers recruited during the Two preceding Months, and also to transmit a Copy of the said Abstract, together with a regular and exact Account of the Expences which have attended the said Service during the Two preceding Months, to the Agent of the Corps for which such Officer is recruiting respectively; and on Failure herein, the Officer, through whose Neglect such Abstract and Account, or a Copy thereof, shall not have been transmitted to the Adjutant General, or to the Agent of the Corps respectively, shall be liable to be tried for such Neglect by a General Court-martial, and, if convicted, shall be cashiered, or shall suffer such other Punishment as by such Court-martial shall be awarded; and the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Troop, or Company, in which such Neglect shall be committed, shall, and he is hereby directed and required to make a Report thereof to his Colonel, if in Great Britain, who shall report the same to the Commander in Chief, or to the Secretary at War, in order that the Officer so neglecting may be brought to Trial for the same.

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to transmit an
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recruited, &c.
to the Adju-
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XXX. And whereas it has been the Practice to apply Part of the non-effective Subistence to the Use of Captains of Troops and Companies of His Majesty's

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made to Cap-
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regular Land Forces : And whereas the said Allowance is substantially equitable; but it will be more convenient to make a specific Allowance in lieu thereof: be it enacted, That, from the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, an annual Allowance shall be made to each of the Captains of Companies of Foot, during their Continuance in Service, according to the Establishment of their respective Companies; that is to say, When the Companies are at the Establishment of Seventy-six Men or upwards, the aforesaid annual Allowance shall be Fifty-six Pounds Ten Shillings; when the Companies are reduced in their Establishment under Seventy-six, and are above Fifty Men, the aforesaid annual Allowance shall be Forty-seven Pounds, Seven Shillings, and Sixpence; and when the Companies are reduced in their Establishment to Fifty Men or under, the aforesaid Allowance shall be Thirty-eight Pounds Five Shillings; and also the annual Allowance of Thirty Pounds, now made to the Captains of Troops of Horse and Dragoons, shall continue to be made; for which said Allowances the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces shall, and he is hereby directed and required to form his Memorials and Requisitions, and to issue his Drafts as aforesaid, on the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year, in equal Payments, and to charge the same to the Account of the several Regiments, Troops, and Companies, to which the said Captains belong.

Annual Allowances to be made to the Captains of the Regiment and Independent Companies of Invalids.

XXXI. And whereas the Captains of the Regiment and Independent Companies of Invalids have been accustomed to receive the Subsistence of certain non-effective Men, called Contingent Men, as an Indemnification for the Repairs of Arms, Burials, and Losses by Men dying in their Debt, and have also been allowed the Pay of the non-effective Men in their said several Companies: And whereas the Regiment and Independent Companies of Invalids have been considered as an honourable Retirement for Officers of long Service, and it is proper to make a suitable and more equal Provision for that Branch of the Service: Be it enacted, That, from the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, an annual Allowance of One Hundred Pounds shall be made to each of the Captains of the Regiment and Independent Companies of Invalids, when the Establishment of their respective Companies shall amount to Seventy Private Men or upwards; and an annual Allowance of Eighty Pounds when the Establishment is under the said Number of Private Men; for which said Allowances the Paymaster General of his Majesty's Land Forces shall, and he is hereby directed and required to form his Memorials and Requisitions, and to issue his Drafts as aforesaid, on the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year, in equal Payments, and to charge the same to the Account of the Regiment and Independent Companies of Invalids.

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XXXII. And whereas his Majesty has been pleased to cause Repayment to be made to the Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men of his Foot Forces, of the Stoppages made for the Use of the Paymasters and Surgeons : And whereas it is proper to make Provision for the Paymasters and Surgeons in lieu thereof : be it enacted, That, from the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, an annual Allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Pounds shall be made to each of the said Paymasters and Surgeons, when the Establishment of their Companies is Fifty Private Men, or upwards ; and an annual Allowance of Seventy Pounds, after the Companies shall be reduced in their Establishment below the said Number of Private Men : For which said Allowances, the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Forces shall, and he is hereby directed and required to form his Memorials and Requisitions, and to issue his Drafts as aforesaid, upon the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year, in equal Payments ; and to charge the same to the Account of each Corps as aforesaid.

Annual Allowances to be made to Paymasters and Surgeons of the Foot Forces, in lieu of the usual Stoppages made for their Use.

XXXIII. And whereas it has been usual for the Allowances made to the Paymasters, Surgeons, Riding Masters, and Rough Riders, of His Majesty's Horse and Dragoon Forces, to be paid to them out of the Monies issued under the Name of Grass Money, and it is proper to make a distinct Provision in lieu thereof ; be it enacted, That, from the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Ten Pounds for every Troop of and in each Regiment of His Majesty's Horse and Dragoon Forces, shall be made to each of the said Paymasters, when the Establishment of the Troop amounts to Forty Private Men, or upwards ; and an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Seven Pounds Fifteen Shillings for every Troop, shall be made to each of the said Paymasters after they shall be reduced in their Establishment below the said Number of Private Men ; and also an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Eight Pounds for every Troop of and in each Regiment of His Majesty's Horse and Dragoon Forces, shall be made to each of the said Surgeons, when the Establishment of the Troop amounts to Forty Private Men ; and an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Six Pounds Four Shillings, for every Troop, shall be made to each of the said Surgeons, after they shall be reduced in their Establishment below the said Number of Private Men ; and also an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Twenty-three Pounds Six Shillings, for every Troop of and in each Regiment of His Majesty's Horse and Dragoon Forces, shall be made to the Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, and Major Commandant, of every Corps, for the Use of the said Riding Masters, Rough Riders, or for incidental Expences relating to the same, when the Establishment of the Troop amounts to Forty Private Men ; and an annual Allowance, at and after the Rate of Eighteen Pounds One Shilling, for every Troop, shall be made to the said Colonels, Lieutenant Colonels, and Majors Commandant, for the aforesaid Purposes, after they shall be reduced in their Establishment below the said Number of Private Men : For which said Allowances, the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces shall, and he is hereby

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hereby directed and required to form his Memorials and Requisitions, and to issue his Drafts as aforesaid, on the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year, in equal Payments; and to charge the same to the Account of each Corps, as aforesaid.

Paymaster of
every Regi-
ment, &c. to
transmit to
the Agent,
every Two
Months, an
Account of
Subsistence
actually paid
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And Twice
in every Year
to transmit to
the said Agent
the several
Accounts
herein speci-
fied,

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That every Paymaster of a Regiment, Troop, or Company, of His Majesty's Regular Forces, or embodied Militia, shall, and he is hereby directed and required to make out, and transmit to the Agent of such Regiment, Troop, or Company, an Account, every Two Months, of the exact Subsistence actually paid to effective Officers and Men, and of the broken Periods arising from Deaths, Desertions, or Discharges, of Men, in the Course of the said Two Months: And on the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year, the said Paymaster shall, and he is hereby directed and required to make up, and, within Three Months from each of the above Periods, to transmit to the said Agent, the following Accounts; that is to say, An Account of all the Expences which have attended the Recruiting Service of His Majesty's Regular Forces, for the preceding Six Months, distinguishing the Subsistence of Recruits, Levy Money, and every other Article of Expence, under their several Heads; an Account of the Poundage paid to the effective Men, in the preceding Six Months; an Account of the Allowances made for the extra Price of Bread, to such of the Troops who have been in Barracks, the preceding Six Months; an Account of the Expences which have attended the Marches of any Regiment, Troop, or Company, from one Part of Great Britain to another; an Account of the Monies paid, for the preceding Six Months, usually called Grass Money; an Account of Hospital Expences, Travelling Expences of Officers and Horses, before they join the Troop, or Regiment, and all other lesser Contingencies which are now, or which His Majesty shall, by any future Regulations under His Royal Sign Manual, direct to be allowed for the preceding Six Months, under their several Heads; the said respective Accounts to be examined and certified by the Commanding Officer of each respective Corps, who shall, and he is hereby directed and required to examine and certify the same; and, on Failure herein, the Paymaster, through whose Neglect the said respective Accounts shall not be transmitted as aforesaid, shall be liable to a Trial for such Neglect by a General Court Martial, and, if convicted, shall be cashiered, or shall suffer such other Punishment as by such Court Martial shall be awarded; and the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Troop, or Company, in which such Neglect shall be committed, shall, and he is hereby directed and required to make a Report thereof to his Colonel, if in Great Britain, who shall report the same to the Commander in Chief, or to the Secretary at War, in order that the Officers offending may be brought to a Trial for the same.

Agents to
make up an-
nual Accounts
of their respec-
tive Regi-
ments, &c.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That, from and after the Twenty-fourth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-four, the Agent of every Regiment, Troop, and Company, of His Majesty's Regular Forces, and embodied Militia, shall, and they are hereby directed and required to make up an annual Account

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Account of each Regiment, Troop, and Company, for the preceding Year, ending the Twenty-fourth Day of December; the Accounts of the Forces and Militia serving in Great Britain, to be made up within Six Months after the Expiration of the Year; the Accounts of the several Corps on Foreign Service, within Two Months after the respective Accounts, enabling the Agents to make up their said annual Accounts, shall be received by the said Agents; and in the said Accounts, the several Imprests, or Monies received, including the Monies received for cast Horses sold, and every other Receipt which belongs and ought to be brought to the Credit of the Publick, in the Accounts of the respective Corps, and the several Disbursements or Monies paid, shall be properly distinguished under their several Heads of Service, the Arrears due to the several Officers, and the Agency due to them, upon the full Pay of the Commissioned Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Private Men, of the several Corps then and there to be charged, and the Balance then struck which is due from the Publick to the said Regiment, Troop, and Company; and to transmit the same within the aforesaid limited Time, together with proper Vouchers, agreeable to the present standing Regulations, or any future Regulations, which His Majesty shall, under His Royal Sign Manual, direct, to the Office of the Secretary at War, and a Copy thereof to the Office of the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces; and on Failure herein, or in any other of the Regulations prescribed to the said Agents by this Act, the said Agent or Agents so offending shall forfeit the Sum of One Hundred Pounds for every Offence, to be recovered by any Person or Persons who shall sue for the same; and the Secretary at War shall, and he is hereby directed and required to examine and settle, or cause to be examined and settled, the aforesaid annual Accounts, and to transmit the same, together with Certificates of the several Charges allowed in the said Accounts, and the Balances of the same, within Three Months after the Receipt of the said Accounts respectively, to the Office of the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces.

and transmit
the same to the
Secretary at
War, and Pay-
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XXXVI. Provided always, That this Act shall not extend, or be construed to extend, to discharge any Agent or Agents from making up, in the Course of the Year, such Account or Accounts as the Secretary at War may have Occasion for or require; and any Agent or Agents, refusing Obedience to such Requisition or Requisitions, shall be liable to the Penalty aforesaid.

Not to dis-
charge Agents
from making
up such other
Accounts as
Secretary at
War may re-
quire.

XXXVII. And whereas the common Practice of mustering the Forces is not of present Use, be it enacted, That His Majesty's Forces shall be mustered on, or as near as may be to, the Twenty-fourth Day of June, and Twenty-fourth Day of December, in every Year; at which Time the Commissaries shall, and they are hereby directed and required to take exact Lists of all the Commissioned and Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men, then actually existing in the several Regiments, Troops, and Companies; and also Lists of such Commissioned and Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men, who have been in the several Regiments, Troops, and Companies, for any Part or Parts of the preceding Half Year, specifying the Periods at which such Officers and Private Men came into the several

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Corps, and when they died, or were removed; and also the Dates and Attestations of all Recruits acquired in the preceding Half Year: And the Commissary General of Musters shall, and he is hereby directed and required to transmit the same to the Offices of the Secretary at War, and Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces, and Comptrollers of the Accounts of the Army, on or before the Twenty-ninth Day of September, and First Day of May, following the said Musters respectively.

Directions for
making out
Army Debentures and
Clearing Warrants.

XXXVIII. And whereas the present Method of making out the Army Debentures and Clearing Warrants is inconvenient; be it enacted, That, from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of December, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-three, the Secretary at War shall, and he is hereby directed and required to prepare and send, together with the Annual Accounts of the Agents, and Certificates aforesaid, Warrants to the Office of the Paymaster General of His Majesty's Land Forces, authorizing and directing the said Paymaster General to make out Debentures, wherein the Sums borne on the several Establishments, and the Monies disbursed on Account thereof, shall be specified, and the Balance certified, which is due to or from each Regiment, Troop, and Company, of His Majesty's Regular Forces, and embodied Militia; which said Debenture the Paymaster General shall, and he is hereby directed and required to transmit to the Office of the said Secretary at War within Three Months from the Receipt thereof; and the Secretary at War shall, and he is hereby directed and required, immediately on the Receipt of the said Debentures, to make out, or cause to be made out, Clearing Warrants, directing and authorizing the said Paymaster General to form Memorials and Requisitions, and to issue his Drafts as aforesaid, for the Balance or Net Monies due to each Regiment, Troop, and Company, of His Majesty's Regular Forces, and embodied Militia, for Clearings, and to charge the same to the Account of the said Regiment, Troop, and Company; and the said Clearing Warrants shall authorize and direct the Paymaster General to make the Excess which shall arise upon the several Establishments, after deducting therefrom the Monies so disbursed and paid as aforesaid, a Saving, and to carry it to the Credit of the Publick; and to charge every Deficiency, which shall arise from the several Establishments not being sufficient to discharge the Disbursements paid on Account as aforesaid, to the general Account of Contingencies, or to such other Fund as may be applicable thereto.

This Act not
to extend to
the Horse
Guards, or
Foot Guards.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not extend, or be construed to extend, to the making any Alteration in the present Mode or Regulation of the Two Troops of Horse Guards, or the Two Troops of Horse Grenadier Guards, the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, and the Three Regiments of Foot Guards; but the same shall continue in the Practice of the same Mode and Regulations, as they would otherwise have done, had this Act not been made.

N^o 2.

CONTINGENCIES.

Regulation for Contingent Accounts of Regiments of Dragoon Guards, Dragoons, and Foot, on Home Service, from the 25th of December, 1783.

VARIOUS Regulations having been established, by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, respecting Issues of Public Money for the Pay and Contingent Demands of the Army; and it being found expedient, and for the Good of the Service, in Conformity to the Views of the said Act, that certain fixed Allowances should be granted for such of the ordinary Contingent Expences of Regiments on Home Service, as, though usually allowed, have not hitherto been provided for in that Manner; viz.

Stationary and Postage for Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons:

And Stationary, Postage, Guard Rooms, and Store Rooms, for Regiments of Foot:

It is His Majesty's Pleasure, that the following Allowances be granted to, and charged by them in future in their respective Contingent Accounts; viz.

1st, An annual Allowance of £.12. to each Regiment of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, for Postage and Stationary, taken together;

2^{dly}. An annual Allowance of £.30. to each Regiment of Foot, for Postage, Stationary, Guard Rooms, and Store Rooms, taken together.

These Allowances to commence from 25th of December, 1783, inclusive, being the Commencement of the Act before mentioned; and no extra Charge from that Period to be admitted for Regimental Books, Returns, Attestations, Discharges, or any other Article whatsoever, falling under the General Head of Stationary; or for Postage paid by Officers on Recruiting or other Services; or for Guard Rooms or Store Rooms on Marches or in Quarters.

It is His Majesty's further Pleasure, that the former Allowance of 1s. per Mile to each Troop or Company for Carriage of Baggage, together with the actual Expence,

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pence, if any, of Warrants for impressing Waggon; as likewise the Allowances of 6d. *per Diem* for Fire and Candle for Guards, and of £.10. *per Annum* for Carriage of Ammunition in Regiments of Dragoon Guards, Dragoons, and Foot, and of £.30. *per Annum* for Hospitals in the latter, be continued as usual.

The Contingent Accounts to be made up and attested agreeably to the Provisions contained in the 34th Section of the Act before-mentioned.

All the ordinary Regimental Contingencies being considered as comprised under the foregoing Heads, and included in the Allowances hereby granted for them; it is the King's Pleasure, that, with respect to any others, which may arise either at distant Periods, or upon extraordinary Occasions, Application be made, and the particular Circumstances stated to the Secretary at War by the respective Commanding Officers, before any Expence is actually incurred, (sudden and unavoidably pressing Emergencies excepted), in order that the same may be duly considered, and such Directions given thereupon as shall be thought proper.

And of all and each of the foregoing Particulars the Colonels, Commanding Officers, Paymasters, and Agents, of His Majesty's Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry on Home Service (excepting those of Horse and Foot Guards), are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given at the War-Office, this 25th Day of February, 1784.

By his Majesty's Command,

GEO. YONGE.

Circular

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N^o 2.
Contingencies.Circular Letter to Colonels of Cavalry and Infantry, respecting
an additional Allowance for Postage and Stationary.

At Home.

SIR,

War-Office, 29th November, 1785.

THE encreased Rate of Postage, together with the Stamp Duties on various Articles of Stationary, having created a Difference in the Amount of the necessary Expenditure under these Heads, since the present Regimental Allowances were settled, I have the Honour to acquaint you, that the King has been graciously pleased to take the same into Consideration, and to direct, that an extra Allowance of Six Pounds *per Annum* be granted to each Regiment of Dragoons and Foot at Home.

This Allowance is to be stated as a separate Charge in the Contingent Bill of each Regiment, and to take Place from the 25th of December, 1783, the Commencement of the present Contingent Regulation for Regiments in Great Britain.

I have the Honour, &c.

GEO. YONGE.

N. B. The Letter to the Colonel of the Regiment, stationed in Jersey
and Guernsey, has the following additional Paragraph, viz.

“ The Islands of Jersey and Guernsey having been represented as subject to some peculiar Expence in the Article of Postage, His Majesty is pleased to grant a further Allowance of £.2. *per Annum* for the Regiment stationed in those Islands for the Time being, which is also to take Place from the same Period.”

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Abroad. Regulation of Contingencies for Regiments on Foreign Stations.

For Regiments in the West Indies,	} Hospital Allowance	£.40.	} <i>per Annum.</i>
from 25th of June, 1784,			

For Regiments at Jamaica,	} Hospital Allowance reduced to £.20. <i>per Annum.</i>
from 25th of March, 1785,	

For Regiments in North America,	} Hospital Allowance	£.30.	} <i>per Annum.</i>
from 25th of June, 1785,			

For Regiments at Gibraltar,	} Hospital Allowance	£.40.	} <i>per Annum.</i>
from 25th of June, 1785,			

No other Charges whatsoever are to be incurred for Regiments abroad, without the special Direction of the Governors or Officers commanding in Chief, in whose Accompts all extra Charges are to be inserted.

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N^o 3.

DISCHARGING MEN AND CASTING HORSES.

Regulation respecting the discharging of Soldiers, and casting of Regimental Horses.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS the late Regulations, which have taken Place in pursuance of an Act of Parliament respecting the Payment of Our Army, and the providing for the Recruiting Service thereof, have by their Operation necessarily taken off some of those Restrictions, which hitherto subsisted on the discharging of Soldiers, and casting of Regimental Horses; and it being absolutely requisite for the General good of the Service, that other Restrictions should be provided in lieu of them: We, therefore, having taken the same into Consideration, are hereby pleased to direct and order, that henceforward no Commanding Officer of any of Our Regiments do discharge any Man, or cast any Regimental Horse (beyond the Proportion of three Horses per Troop, if need be, Annually) without specifying the same and the Causes thereof in the several Returns transmitted to the Office of Our Secretary at War, and Our Adjutant General.

And it is our further Pleasure, that at each Review the said Commanding Officers do specify in the Returns delivered by them to the Reviewing General the Number of Men discharged, and of Regimental Horses cast, since the preceding Review, with the Reasons thereof; as likewise the Number of Men proposed to be discharged, and of Horses proposed to be cast, before the ensuing Review;

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ing Horses.

Review; which Men and Horses, so proposed to be discharged and cast, shall then be carefully inspected by Our Reviewing General, who shall give or refuse his Assent thereto, accordingly as shall appear to him upon Inspection; and the Result shall be stated in his Report to Us, for Our particular Information. And of this Regulation Our Reviewing Generals, and all the Colonels and Commanding Officers of Our Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry (excepting those of Our Horse and Foot Guards), are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly. Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 22d Day of December 1784, in the Twenty-Fifth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

GEO. YONGE.

N^o 3.
Discharging
Men and cast-
ing Horses.

Extract from the King's Instructions to Reviewing Generals.

YOU are to cause the Colonel or Officer commanding our said Corps respectively to deliver to you a Return signed by himself, containing the Names of all the Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men, who have been enlisted, discharged, recommended to Chelsea, or have died or deserted; as likewise a Return of all Horses, bought, cast, or dead, since last Review, with the Dates set against each Man and Horse, and against the discharged Men and Cast Horses, the Reasons thereof severally, distinguishing such, if any, as have been discharged, or cast, without the express Authority of the last Reviewing General.

You are also to cause a like Return to be delivered to you of such Men and Horses as are proposed to be discharged or cast previous to the next Review, stating the Name and Time of Service of each Man, with the Reason for his Discharge, and the Reason for casting each Horse; and you are carefully to inspect the said Men and Horses individually; governing yourself in all Points regarding Men discharged, or to be discharged, and Horses cast, or to be cast, according to the Intent of Our Regulation, bearing Date the 22d of December, 1784, for preventing unnecessary Vacancies in Our Army, a Matter equally prejudicial to Discipline and Oeconomy.

The Returns specified in this Article you are to transmit to the Office of Our Secretary at War, adding to each of them your own Signature, and distinguishing, in the Latter, the Parts to which you shall have given, from those to which you shall have refused, your Assent. You are likewise to transmit Duplicates of the said Returns to Our Adjutant General.

N^o 4.

DESERTERS.

Rules respecting Expences for Deserters.

WHEN an Order shall be received by any Commanding Officer of a Corps, or Detachment, for a Party to take Charge of a Deserter, and convey him to any Place; the said Commanding Officer shall advance, or cause to be advanced, so much Money, on Account of Pay for the Deserter, as will be sufficient to defray the Arrears thereof during the Time of his Confinement, and the Expence of Medicines and Attendance (if any shall be due), and a further Sum proportioned to the Time he will be on his March, either to his final Destination, or to the next Quarter, as the Case shall require. He will likewise provide and pay for such Necessaries as the Man shall be absolutely in need of. The Sums defrayed and advanced on Account of Pay, &c. to be stated distinctly on the Back of the Route, as likewise the Particulars and actual Charge of the Necessaries, and to be signed by the Commanding Officer himself, or the Adjutant or Paymaster, by his Direction. The Persons receiving the Money, viz. the Gaoler and Non-commissioned Officer, who takes charge of the Deserter, are likewise to sign to the Sums respectively received by them.

When a Deserter is delivered over from one Party to another, the Commanding Officer to whom the latter Party belongs, or the Adjutant, or Paymaster, by his Direction, shall carefully inspect the Route, and see that the Money, which hath been received, is there properly accounted for. He shall also advance a further Sum (if requisite), on Account of Pay, proportioned to the Distance of the ensuing March, and so on till the Deserter shall arrive at the Place of his Destination.

If, upon such Inspection of the Route, any improper Charges shall be found, the Non-commissioned Officer under whom they have been incurred shall be forthwith required to make good the Amount thereof; and, in Case of Refusal, Information shall be given to his Commanding Officer, that he may be put under Stoppages for the same. The improper Articles are to be crossed out in the Route; and the Amount,

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Amount, if paid, carried on as a Balance remaining ; but, if not paid, is to stand ^{N^o 4.} as a Deduction from the Sum first advanced. Deferters.

No Pay is to be advanced, nor are any Necessaries to be provided, but by or under the immediate Direction of the Commanding Officer, Adjutant, or Paymaster, who is to sign his Name to the Charge.

No more Money is to be advanced on Account of Pay than the Time and Distance may require.

Necessaries are to be supplied but once for any March : if destroyed, or made away with, the Deforter must abide by the Consequence.

No Horse-hire to be allowed ; nor any Fees at Gaols on the March, the Mutiny Act having expressly provided for the Admission of Deferters into Gaols on the Road without Fees.

If a Deforter, having enlisted into another Regiment, is claimed before the Muster is taken to the 24th of December following his last Enlistment, the Regiment into which he has enlisted is to make no Charge to the Publick, either of Levy Money or Subsistence for him ; but the Regiment claiming him is to pay to them (upon receiving a Certificate signed by the Commanding Officer, that the Enlistment of the Man was not owing to any Neglect or Misconduct in the Recruiting Officer) the actual Bounty paid to the Man not exceeding the Sum limited by the King's Regulation, and also his Subsistence from the Date of Attestation. But, if the Man is not claimed till after the Muster is taken to the Period above-mentioned, the Regiment claiming him is in that Case only to pay his Subsistence from the 25th of December preceding the Claim.

N^o 5.

REGIMENTAL PAYMASTERS.

S I R,

War-Office, 16th of March, 1785.

I Have His Majesty's Commands to acquaint you, that he disapproves of any Field Officer's being a Regimental Paymaster; and that from the late Regulations of the Act of Parliament respecting the Accompts of the Army, the Appointment of the Paymaster appears, in Point of Law, to be incompatible with the Situation of a Commanding Officer of a Regiment. You will therefore be pleased, without Delay, to give the necessary Orders for appointing a Paymaster to the Regiment, who shall neither be the Lieutenant Colonel, nor Major thereof.

I have, &c.

GEO. YONGE

Colonel of the
Regiment of

N^o 6.

N^o 6.MUSTERS.

Circular Letter respecting the Mustering of the Army.

SIR,

War-Office, 3d of October, 1785.

IT having been found, that the Method of taking Muster Rolls, as now practised, is not well adapted to the Purposes for which they are intended, and particularly to those designed by the late Act for the better Payment of the Army; the King, having taken the same into Consideration, is pleased to direct, that in future the Rolls be taken, not by *Troops*, and *Companies*, but *Regimentally*, upon one Sheet of large Paper (or upon Two Sheets, annexed to each other, for Establishments higher than the Present), so as to comprehend the Whole of each Regiment in one general Series, arranged in the Order, and under the several Heads, hereinafter stated, *viz.*

FIRST. Commissioned and Warrant-Officers according to their Ranks.

- 1st. Effective during the whole Muster.
- 2d. Broken Periods with their respective Dates.

SECOND. Non-Commissioned Officers according to their Ranks.

- 1st. Effective during the whole Muster.
- 2d. Broken Periods commencing at the Beginning of the Muster.
- 3d. Intermediate broken Periods, commencing after the Beginning, and terminating before the End, of the Muster.

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4th. Broken Periods, commencing after the Beginning, and terminating at the End, of the Muster.

THIRD. Horses of Non-Commissioned, and Private.

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| 1st. Effective the whole Muster. | { For Dragoon }
{ Regiments. } |
| 2d. Broken Periods. | |

FOURTH. Private Men.

- 1st. Effective during the whole Muster in Alphabetical order.
- 2d. Broken Periods, commencing at the Beginning of the Muster, containing,
 - 1st. Promoted to Non-Commissioned.
 - 2d. Turned over to other Regiments.
 - 3d. Discharged.
 - 4th. Dead.
 - 5th. Deserted.
- 3d. Broken Periods, terminating at the End of the Muster, containing,
 - 1st. Recruited.
 - 2d. Received from other Regiments.
 - 3d. Reduced from Non-Commissioned.
 - 4th. Returned from Desertion.
- 4th. Intermediate broken Periods, including the different Heads in the 2d and 3d Classes, as abovementioned.
- 5th. Rejected Recruits.

It being also requisite, that every Man entitled to receive Pay should appear on the Muster-Rolls of the Time for which he is so entitled, His Majesty is further pleased to direct, that, previous to each Muster of the Forces on Home Service, all the Recruits raised in the preceding Half Year should be brought up to the Headquarters of the Regiments to which they belong: and that, in order to give sufficient Opportunity for this, the Musters for the Half Year ending the 24th of December should begin on, or as near as possible after, the 10th of March, but not before; and those for the Half Year ending the 24th of June should begin on, or as near as possible after, the 10th of August, but not before. And the Commissaries, who are by Act of Parliament required to specify in the Muster-Rolls the Dates of Attestations of all Recruits, are carefully to inspect the Attestations themselves, as well of rejected as approved Recruits; and to be exactly accurate in the Statement of all broken Periods; making it uniformly their Rule, that the first and last Days set down by them in each Instance are to be reckoned both inclusive, in like Manner as the first and last Days of a compleat Muster.

The Musters taken on Foreign Stations are not to be subject to the same Restriction in Point of Time, as those at Home; but are to be as soon after the 24th of June, and

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and the 24th of December, in each Year, as Circumstances will admit. And it being impossible, that their Recruiting Parties and Recruits at Home can with any Regularity, and within proper Time, be included in their Muster-Rolls; it is the King's Pleasure, that they shall not be inserted therein; but, when any of such Parties and Recruits shall have joined their respective Regiments abroad, they are only to be mustered there from the Day of their Embarkation from Home.—For Periods previous to their Embarkation, Musters are regularly to be taken of them at Chatham; for which Purpose, His Majesty directs, that, at the Termination of each Half Year, all the Recruits raised within that Time for Regiments on Foreign Service, and not yet brought up to Chatham, shall either be called in and inspected there, or shall be inspected at their Quarters by a proper Officer, and reported upon to the Inspector General at Chatham, previous to the Muster;—That the Muster shall also extend to all such Recruits as may have been present there at any Time in the preceding Half Year; and to all broken Periods of Recruits, as well rejected as approved, within that Time;—That the Attestations shall either be produced to the Commissary, or be certified to him by the Inspector General, and the Dates of them entered on the Muster-Roll, as also the Dates of Embarkation, &c.—That the Roll shall likewise contain exact Lists of all the Recruiting Parties, within Great Britain and Ireland, belonging to Regiments stationed Abroad; such Lists, with the respective Dates of broken Periods within the Time for which the Muster shall be taken, to be authenticated by the Inspector General, from Returns or other regular Documents in his Possession. The Recruiting Parties and Recruits to be classed under the Head of the Regiments to which they respectively belong.

No 6.
Musters.

In the Cases of Regiments going from, or coming to, Great Britain, the following Rules are to be observed:

The first Muster, after the Arrival of a Regiment Abroad, is to include the Dates of Attestation, &c. of such Recruits, and such only, as may have been raised since the preceding Muster, and have either joined, or been rejected, previous to the Day of Embarkation.

The first Muster, after the Arrival of a Regiment at Home, is to include the Dates of Attestations, &c. of such Recruits, and such only, as may have been raised subsequent to the Day of Landing: such as may join from Chatham are to be stated only from the Day on which they ceased to be borne on the Rolls of that Place.

Regiments going from Great Britain to Ireland cannot be mustered here to the Day of their being transferred to the Establishment of that Kingdom. In this Case, the Commanding Officers of the respective Regiments will be required, as soon as possible after the Landing of the Regiment, to make up and transmit Rolls, authenticated by themselves, of the same Kind as would have been taken by the Commissary, if they had been mustered.

Regiments going from Ireland to Foreign Stations are to be mustered Abroad from the Day of Embarkation only.

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N^o 6.
Musters.

It sometimes happens, that Detachments of Regiments are not within the District of the same Commissary who musters the Body of the Regiment. When a Circumstance of this Nature occurs, it is His Majesty's Pleasure, that the Detachment shall be certified by the Commanding Officer, and included, according to the Arrangement before specified, in the Roll taken at Head-Quarters; and that the Detachment shall likewise be inspected by the Commissary of the District, and a separate Roll be returned by him thereof.

The above Instructions are to be considered as a standing Order, and entered as such in the Orderly Book of the Regiment under your Command.

I have the Honour to be,

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N^o 7.

COALS AND CANDLES.

Instructions to Barrack Masters.—1785.

THE Weekly Deliveries of Coals and Candles for a Company of Foot complete, according to the present Establishment, are not to exceed the following Quantities, viz.

Thirteen Bushels of Coals and Five Pounds of Candles in November, December, January, and February.

Ten Bushels of Coals and Four Pounds of Candles in March, April, September, and October.

Seven Bushels of Coals and Three Pounds of Candles in May, June, July, and August.

For every Twelve Men, that the Numbers of a Company, present on the Day of Delivery, shall fall short of the Establishment, a proportional Deduction is to be made.

Detachments are to be supplied according to the Proportion they bear to Companies.

Guard Rooms are to have Seven Bushels of Coals and Two Pounds of Candles *per* Week, from the 29th of September to the 5th of April.

Only the usual Number of Guard Rooms to be allowed.

No Allowance is to be made to Commissioned Officers or Hospital Rooms.

The Coals and Candles issued as above are to be vouched, not only by Certificates of the actual Amount, but also by an accurate Return, stating the Numbers in every Company or Detachment present at each Weekly Delivery. The said

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N^o 7.
Coals and
Candles.

Certificates and Return to be given under the Hand of the Commanding Officer in the Barracks, and transmitted with the Accompts.

These Instructions are to be communicated by you to the Commanding Officer, who is to cause them to be entered in the Orderly Book; and as often as the Troops shall be relieved, the like Communication and Entry is to be made.

Given at the War-Office, &c.

GEO. YONGE.

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N^o 8.

UTENSILS.

Instructions to Barrack Masters respecting Barrack Utensils.—

1785.

THE Deliveries of Barrack Utensils are to be made conformably to the Schedule hereunto annexed.

You are forthwith to collect and bring into your Store every Article now in Use, exceeding the Allowance thereby established.

You are to take Duplicate Receipts signed by the Commanding Officer of each Regiment or Detachment, specifying the Number and Condition of the Utensils of every Species delivered out to them by you. One of these is to remain in your Hands, and the other to be transmitted to this Office, with your next ensuing Accompt. You are forthwith to obtain such Receipts from the Corps now stationed in _____ and in future they are always to be taken upon the Delivery of the Articles.

After Deliveries made, and the proper Receipts taken, you are not to exchange or repair any Articles, unless it be certified by the Commanding Officers, that the said Articles have been rendered totally useless, or become unserviceable by fair Wear. These Certificates, together with the Vouchers of the actual Expence of Purchase or Repair, and Certificates of the subsequent Delivery, are also to be transmitted with your Accompts to this Office. The Vouchers are to be inspected, examined, and signed by the said Commanding Officers, previously to their being transmitted.

All Loss and Damage not occasioned by fair Wear, are to be made good by the respective Corps.

Once in a Year, or oftener if it shall be necessary, a compleat Return shall be made up, and sent to this Office, of all the Utensils, both in Use and in Store, specifying the actual Condition of each. This Return is not only to be signed by yourself but also by the Commanding Officers for those in Use with their respective Corps, and by the Commanding Officer of the Whole for those in Store; which Officers are hereby required personally and diligently to inspect the same.

This Regulation, with the Schedule hereunto annexed, is to be communicated by you to the several Commanding Officers, who are to cause the same to be entered in the Orderly Books; and as often as the Corps shall be relieved, the like Communication and Entry is to be made.

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N^o 8.
Utenfils.

Schedule of Barrack Utenfils.

Articles:	Number for every Twelve Effective Men.		Time each Article is expected to last in constant Use.
Pot—Iron	1	—	Ten Years.
Lid—Wooden	1	—	Two Do.
Pothooks—Iron	1 Pair	—	Ten Do.
Ladle—Wooden	1	—	Two Do.
Trivet—Iron	1	—	Ten Do.
Flesh Forks—Iron	1	—	Ten Do.
Wooden {	Large Bowls or Platters	2	Three Do.
	Small Bowls or Porringers	12	Two Do.
	Trenchers	12	Three Do.
	Spoons	12	One Do.
Water Buckets	1	—	Three Do.
Coal Tray	1	—	Three Do.
Bellows	1 Pair	—	Two Do.
Candlesticks	1	—	Five Do.

Brooms to be delivered at the Requisition of the Commanding Officer, not exceeding One *per* Month for every Twelve Effective Men.

Fire-Irons may be delivered in the same Manner as hath been usual, until those already provided shall be worn out; after which, Application is to be made for them to the Ordnance Store-keeper.

Each Room occupied by a Guard is to be supplied, from the 29th of September to the 5th of April, with One Water Bucket, One Candlestick, One Pair of Bellows, and One Coal Tray. During the Remainder of the Year, the Bellows and Coal Trays are to be taken into Store.

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N^o 9.

BREAD.

Instructions for supplying Bread to the Non-commissioned Officers and Effective Private Men of Marching Regiments, or Detachments of Marching Regiments, that may be stationed in Barracks.

ON the Arrival of any Marching Regiments or Detachments at Barracks, the Officer commanding shall, if there be then no subsisting Contract, give public Notice to the Bakers in the Neighbourhood, to send him Proposals, sealed up, of the lowest Price at which they will furnish the Troops there with exactly the same Sort of Bread as described in the annexed Specification; and he is to make a Contract with those who shall agree to supply it at the lowest Price, and are able to carry their Proposals into Execution.

Particular Attention is to be had, that the Bread should be good, and the Contract made upon the lowest Terms; and, if it should exceed Five-pence *per* Loaf, the Overplus will be paid by Government; but no Charge is to be made, except for the actual Effective Non-commissioned Officers and Private Men present on each Day of Delivery.

The Accompts, to be transmitted as usual to the Agents of the respective Corps, are to specify the several Days of Delivery, with the Number of Men present, and of Loaves delivered on each Day.

They are to be signed by the Commanding Officer or Officers, as well as the Baker; and are to be considered as Returns given upon Honour, not only with respect to the Numbers of the Men, the Price and the Deliveries, but also to the Quality and Weight of the Loaves being such as prescribed in the Specification.

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N^o 9.
Bread.

N. B. Care is always to be taken to give Timely Notice for fresh Proposals, so that a New Contract may be concluded before the Expiration of the Old One, and Reports thereof are to be regularly made to the War-Office.

Specification of Bread to be supplied to Soldiers in Barracks.

The Bread to be made of the Flour of good marketable English Wheat, out of which the first Bran is to be taken by Means of an Eight-Shilling Cloth: each Soldier's Allowance of this Bread, for Four Days, being a well-baked Loaf weighing Six Pounds.

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N^o 10.

COAST DUTY.

SIR,

War-Office, 3d November, 1784.

IT having been represented, that Dragoon Horses employed upon the Coast Duty are subjected to so great Fatigue, that the ordinary Feed is insufficient to keep them in proper Condition for that Service; I am to acquaint you, that I have had the Honour of laying the same before the King; and that His Majesty hath been pleased to direct, that an extra Feed shall in future be given to each Dragoon Horse, while upon Detachment on the Coast (including those of Subalterns and Quarter-Masters), at the Rate of One Peck *per diem*, in the following Proportion, viz.

$\frac{4}{8}$ Oats,
 $\frac{1}{4}$ Beans,
 $\frac{3}{8}$ Cut Straw.

This Allowance is to commence from the Receipt of this Letter. The Regimental Paymaster is to draw upon the Agent Monthly in Advance on Account thereof; and, at the End of every Two Months, an exact State of the Expenditure is to be transmitted by him to the Agent, with a Certificate upon Honour from the Commanding Officer, ascertaining the Number of Horses on Detachment during the preceding Two Months, the Quantity of extra Feed actually given to them according to the above Rate, the Prices paid for the several Commodities, and that due Care has been taken to obtain them on the most reasonable Terms. I am to desire you will be pleased to communicate these Orders to the Commanding Officer of your Regiment; and have the Honour to be,

SIR, &c.

Colonel of the
 Regiment of

SIR,

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N^o 10.
Coast Duty.

SIR,

War-Office, 4th of April, 1787.

HAVING laid before the King the Substance of that Representation which you, with Lieutenant-General Johnston and Major General Phillipson, made to me on Behalf of the Dragoon Regiments respecting the Charge for extra Feed of Troop Horses detached on the Coast Duty; I have it in Command to acquaint you, that the Portion of the Horses Subsistence, set apart for the Purchase of Corn, was always intended to be applied, as far as it would go, to the Expenditure for the Feed described in my Letter of the 3d of November, 1784; and the Difference only was to be made a Charge against the Public: His Majesty, however, giving full Credit to the general Declaration made through you, that the Allowance from Government was not understood by the Regiments according to this Construction, is graciously pleased to consent, that the full Subsistence borne on the Establishment for the Troop Horses shall be admitted in Addition to the Charge of extra Feed, from the 25th of December, 1784, to the 24th of December, 1786, inclusive.

I am to request you will be pleased to communicate this Information to Generals Johnston and Phillipson; and have the Honour to be,

SIR, &c.

GEO. YONGE.

General Sir George Howard, K. B.

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RESPONSIBILITY OF COLONELS OF REGIMENTS.

S I R,

War-Office, 10th of July, 1760.

THE King, being desirous to prevent the Inconveniencies, which may arise upon the Death of Agents to Regiments, was pleased to direct the Board of General Officers to take this Matter into Consideration, and to Report their Opinion, in what Manner the said Inconveniencies may best be guarded against; and the Board accordingly have reported to His Majesty, that they have not been able to discover any better Method of obviating the Inconveniencies, the Fore-sight of which occasioned this Reference, than by the Colonel taking a sufficient Security by a Deposite of Money, or by the Agent vesting a Sum in the Public Funds, in the Names of Trustees, applicable upon Demand of the Colonel to make good any Deficiency arising from the Failure or Death of the Agent.

The Board being further directed to consider, what Sums of Money an Agent should deposite or vest in the Public Funds, as a Security for the several Corps in His Majesty's Service, Report, that they have not been able to fix any certain Sum, which may be adapted to the several Circumstances that may occur; and have submitted it to His Majesty, as their Opinion, that the Sum to be deposited by the Agent, cannot be so properly determined by any Person as by the Colonel of each Corps, whose Interest, as well as Regard for the Service, must induce him to require a sufficient Security.

When I had the Honour to lay this Report of the Board of General Officers before the King, His Majesty was pleased to order, that the same should be communicated to the Colonels of the several Corps in His Service; that, if any of them have omitted to require sufficient Security from their Agents, they may be apprized of the Necessity of their speedily taking that Precaution; as, in Case of any Accident, His Majesty, agreeable to the Opinion of the Board, must look upon the Colonel as the only Person accountable, not only for the Pay of his Regiment, the Regimental Funds, and other Money with which the Agent is usually entrusted; but also for every Obstruction and Inconvenience which may arise to His Majesty's Service, from the Death or Failure of the said Agent.

I am, &c.

BARRINGTON.

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STOCK-PURSE ACCOUNTS.

Warrant for regulating the Stock-Purse Fund of the Regiments
of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We have judged it necessary for Our Service, to ascertain the Articles which may be charged against the Stock-Purse Fund of Our Regiment of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, excluding at the same Time all other Articles whatever, in order that the said Fund may be kept apart for the Purpose of Recruiting, and that the Balance which shall remain (after satisfying the Charges hereby admitted) may be applied to other public Military Uses; We have therefore thought fit to order and direct, that for the future no Charge shall be made against the said Stock-Purse Fund, but what comes fairly and evidently under the following Heads, viz.

The Levy Money and Expence of each Recruit, and also his Subsistence till he joins the Regiment.

Bounty Money to discharged Men to carry them home.

The Subsistence of Invalids discharged and recommended to Our Royal Bounty of Chelsea Hospital, from the Day to which they are subsisted by the Regiment, to that on which they are admitted on the Pension, or rejected by the Board.

Expences of Beating Orders and attested Copies thereof.

Expences of Debenture Warrants.

Expences relating to Deserters.

And Whereas Our late Royal Grandfather, of Glorious Memory, was pleased to direct, during the last Peace, that each of the Captains of Our Regiments of Dragoons should be allowed £.25 yearly, to enable them to bear the contingent Expences of their respective Troops; which Sum was, during the late War, increased to £.35: And whereas it is highly proper that the said Allowances should be now fixed by Us: We taking into Our Royal Consideration, various Expences
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which have, from different Circumstances, become an additional Charge on the Captains of Dragoons, since the aforefaid Regulation of Our late Royal Grand-^{N^o 2.} Stock-Purse Accounts. father at £.25 *per Annum*; are pleased to direct, that, for the future, the Stock-Purse Accounts of Our Regiments of Dragoons shall be settled annually to the 24th of June, when £.5 shall be set apart for each Man, and Twenty Guineas for each Horse, wanting to compleat on the 1st of February, and be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Account; after which the Sum of £.30 shall be given out of the said Fund to each of the Captains. And We are pleased to direct, that the Sums so paid to the Captains shall be entered as the last Charge in the Stock-Purse Account of each Regiment of Dragoons.

And Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that in Case any Surplus shall remain on Balance of the Stock-Purse Fund annually stated on the 24th Day of June, (after deducting the aforefaid Sums for recruiting and remounting, which must be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Account, and after paying to each Captain their entire Allowance of £.30), that Balance shall be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Year's Account. And the several Agents are hereby directed to acquaint Our Secretary at War, upon the settling of each Year's Accounts, with the Amount of this Surplus or Balance, for Our Information.

And We do hereby direct, that all other Charges and Expences whatever, incurred by Our Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, and which have been usually allowed, shall for the future be inserted in the General Half Yearly Contingent Bill, ordered to be transmitted to Our Secretary at War by his Letter, bearing Date the 26th Day of November, 1765.

Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that, in the keeping and making up the Stock-Purse Accounts of each of Our said Regiments, the following Directions be for the future strictly observed.

That no more than Three Pounds Eight Shillings shall be allowed to any Recruiting Officer for each Man recruited by him; out of which Sum no more than One Guinea and a Crown shall be given to the Recruit, according to Our Directions signified by Our Secretary at War, bearing Date the 24th Day of December, 1765; but no Charge whatever is to be admitted on Account of Recruits, who may desert before they join the Regiment.

That no Recruiting Officer shall be allowed Credit for the Levy Money of any such Recruits as shall not be approved of by the Commanding Officer of each Regiment respectively; but their Subsistence he shall be allowed: The Stock-Purse Fund shall be charged with the real Expence of all the Recruits, who may die before they join the Regiment; provided the Day of their Death, and the exact Bounty Money given them, be certified by the Commanding Officer, on the Back of the Attestation.

That all Subsistence issued to Recruits before they join the Regiment, shall be charged separately from the Levy Money.

The Accounts of all the Recruiting Officers are to be stated and settled on or before the 24th Day of June.

The Recruiting Accounts are to be signed by the Recruiting Officer himself, and by the Field Officer commanding at Quarters; and Our Pleasure is, that those
Accounts

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Accounts so signed shall be good and sufficient Vouchers to the Agent, for the Credit given by him to each Recruiting Officer, on the Head of Recruiting.

That in all future States of the Regimental Accounts given in to the Reviewing Generals, the Number of Recruits, for which Levy Money and Subsistence are charged, shall be particularly and separately specified.

That no more than Twenty Guineas shall be given for each Horse.

That the Travelling Expenses incurred until the Horses join the Regiment, shall be charged in a separate Article, and the Charges on that Account particularly specified and vouched.

That the Captains shall account for the Subsistence of the vacant Men and Horses in their respective Troops, arisen from Vacancies which happen between the Days whereon each Captain usually receives the Subsistence of his Troop; and that the Stock-Purse Fund shall have Credit for the vacant Subsistence of every Man, who shall die, desert, or be discharged, and of every Horse that shall die, or be cast, between the above-mentioned Periods, from the Day on which they are no longer entitled to Subsistence.

That the Stock-Purse Fund shall also have Credit for the Sums for which the Horses, that shall be cast from Time to Time, shall be sold.

We are farther pleased to direct, that every Colonel shall himself carefully examine the Stock-Purse Account, previous to its being laid before the Reviewing General: He is likewise to certify, under his Hand, that he believes it to be fair and exact. And the Reviewing General shall report to Us any Articles, which shall appear to him to be charged contrary to these Our Orders: As likewise whether proper Credit be given to the Stock-Purse Fund for the Whole vacant Subsistence of Men and Horses, and for the Price of the cast Horses.

All the aforesaid Orders, Regulations, and Directions, We strictly charge and command all Reviewing Generals, Colonels, Commanding Officers, and Agents of Our Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, and all others whom they may concern, to follow and obey, under Pain of Our highest Displeasure. Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 19th Day of February, 1766, in the Sixth Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

BARRINGTON.

Warrant

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N^o 2.
Stock-Purse
Accounts.

Warrant for regulating the Price of Horses to be bought for remounting the Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We were pleased, by our Warrant, bearing Date the 19th Day of February, 1766, for regulating the Stock-Purse Fund of Our Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons, to direct, that no more than Twenty Guineas should be given for each Recruit Horse; and whereas it hath been humbly represented unto Us, that that Sum hath not been found sufficient for providing Horses for remounting Our said Regiments; Our Will and Pleasure is, that, for the future, a Sum not exceeding Twenty-two Guineas may be given for each Recruit Horse, including all Expences, until the Delivery of each Horse at any Place which may be appointed by the Commanding Officer, if the Regiment be quartered in England; but, if the Regiment be quartered in Scotland, the Seller is then to deliver each Horse, for the said Price of Twenty-two Guineas, all Expences included, at such Place as shall be appointed by the Commanding Officer, provided such Place be not farther Northward than York: and the Price hereby regulated of Twenty-two Guineas is to be admitted as a Charge against the Stock-Purse Accounts of Our said Regiments of Dragoon Guards and Dragoons respectively. And for so doing, this shall be to all Colonels, Commanding Officers, and Agents of Our said Regiments, and to all others whom it may concern, a sufficient Warrant. Given at our Court at St. James's, this 27th Day of November, 1767, in the Eighth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

| BARRINGTON.

N^o 3.NON-EFFECTIVE ACCOMPTS.

Warrant for regulating the Non-Effective Fund of the several
Regiments of Infantry.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS We have judged it necessary for Our Service, to ascertain the Articles which may be charged against the Non-effective Fund of Our Marching Regiments of Foot, excluding at the same Time all other Articles whatever, that the said Fund may be kept apart for the Purpose of Recruiting, and that the Balance which shall remain (after satisfying the Charges hereby admitted) may be applied to other public Military Uses: We have therefore thought fit to order and direct, that for the future no Charge shall be made against the said Non-effective Fund, but what comes fairly and evidently under the following Heads, viz.

The Levy Money and Expences of each Recruit, and also his Subsistence till he joins the Regiment.

Bounty Money to discharged Men, to carry them home.

The Subsistence of Invalids discharged and recommended to Our Royal Bounty of Chelsea Hospital, from the Day to which they are subsisted by the Regiment, to that on which they are admitted on the Pension, or rejected by the Board.

Expences of Beating Orders, and attested Copies thereof.

Expences of Debenture Warrants.

Expences relating to Deserters.

Expences

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Expences of the Passage of Recruiting Parties and Recruits by Sea, from and to the Regiment.

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Non-effective
Accompts.

And whereas Our late Royal Grandfather, of Glorious Memory, was pleased to direct by a Regulation in 1743, that the Non-effective Accounts of the several Regiments of Infantry should be annually stated on the 24th of June, and that whatever Balance remained (after deducting £.5 for every Man wanting to compleat, to be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Account) should be divided among the Captains, partly in Aid of their extraordinary Expences, and partly as a Reward of their Care and Diligence in compleating their Companies; which Regulation Our said late Royal Grandfather was pleased to suspend during the late War: And whereas We have judged that it will be more for the Benefit of Our Service, that the Allowance made to the Captains should be limited; We are pleased to direct, that, for the future, the Non-effective Accounts shall continue to be settled annually to the 24th of June, when £.5 shall be set apart for each Man wanting to compleat at the preceding Spring Review, and carried to the Credit of the succeeding Accounts; after which, the Balance which shall remain shall be divided among the Captains, provided it shall not exceed £.20 to each Captain. And We are pleased to direct, that the Sums so paid to the Captains shall be entered as the last Charge in the Non-effective Account of each Regiment. And Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that in Case any Surplus shall remain on Balance of the Non-effective Fund annually stated on the 24th of June, after deducting £.5 for every Man wanting to compleat (which must be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Accounts, as aforesaid), and after paying to each Captain their entire Allowance of £.20, that Balance shall be carried to the Credit of the succeeding Year's Account. And the several Agents are hereby directed to acquaint Our Secretary at War, upon the settling of each Year's Accounts, with the Amount of this Surplus or Balance, for our Information.

And We do further direct, that all other Charges and Expences whatever, incurred by Our Marching Regiments of Foot, and which have been usually allowed, shall for the future be inserted in the General Half Yearly Contingent Bill, ordered to be transmitted to Our Secretary at War by his Letters, bearing Date the 26th Day of November, 1765. Our farther Will and Pleasure is, that in the keeping and making up the Non-effective Accounts of each of Our said Regiments, the following Directions be for the future strictly observed.

That no more than Three Guineas and a Half shall be allowed to any Recruiting Officer for each Man recruited by him; out of which Sum, no more than One Guinea and a Half shall be given to each Recruit, according to Our Directions signified by Our Secretary at War, bearing Date the 17th of December, 1765. But no Charge whatever is to be admitted on Account of Recruits who may desert before they join the Regiment.

No Recruiting Officer shall be allowed Credit for the Levy Money of any such Recruits as shall not be approved of by the Commanding Officer of each Regiment respectively; but their Subsistence he shall be allowed.

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Accompts.

The Non-effective Fund shall be charged with the real Expence of all the Recruits who may die before they join the Regiment; provided the Day of their Death, and the exact Bounty Money given them, be certified by the Recruiting Officer, on the Back of the Attestation.

All Subsistence given to Recruits before they join the Regiment shall be charged separately from the Levy Money. The Accounts of all Recruiting Officers are to be stated and settled on or before the 24th of June. In Regiments stationed in Great Britain, the Recruiting Accounts are to be signed by the Recruiting Officer, and by the Field Officer commanding at Quarters; in Regiments stationed abroad, the said Accounts are to be signed by the Recruiting Officer, and by the Colonel, or One of the Field Officers, if either of them shall be in Great Britain.

And Our Pleasure is, that the above Accounts so signed shall be good and sufficient Vouchers to the Agent, for the Credit given by him to each Recruiting Officer, on the Head of Recruiting.

That in all future States of the Regimental Accounts given in to the Reviewing Generals, the Number of Recruits, for which Levy Money and Subsistence are charged, shall be particularly and separately specified.

And whereas it has been the Practice, in some of our Marching Regiments of Foot, to allow the Captains without Accounts the Subsistence of the vacant Men in their respective Companies, arisen from Vacancies which happen between the Days whereon each Captain usually receives the Subsistence of his Company; it is Our express Order that, for the future, the Captains shall account for the vacant Subsistence of each Man who shall die, desert, or be discharged, between the above-mentioned Periods, from the Date of such Death, Desertion, or Discharge; and that the Non-effective Fund shall have Credit for the vacant Subsistence of every Man, from the Day on which he is no longer entitled to Subsistence.

We are farther pleased to direct, that every Colonel shall himself carefully examine the Non-effective Accounts, previous to its being laid before the Reviewing General: He is likewise to certify under his Hand, that he believes it to be fair and exact: And the Reviewing General shall report to Us any Articles which shall appear to him to be charged contrary to these Our Orders: As likewise whether proper Credit be given to the Non-effective Fund for the whole vacant Subsistence.

All the aforesaid Orders, Regulations, and Directions, We strictly charge and command all Reviewing Generals, Colonels, Commanding Officers, and Agents of Our Regiments of Infantry, and all others whom they may concern, to follow and obey, under Pain of our highest Displeasure.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 19th Day of February, 1766, in the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

BARRINGTON.

Extract

REGULATIONS, &c. PRIOR TO THE 24th OF DEC. 1783.

N^o 3.
Non-effective
Accompts.

Extract of a Regulation for Regiments on Foreign Stations,
bearing Date the 8th Day of January, 1768.

“**T**HAT, for the future, the following respective Sums shall be allowed to Officers sent upon the Recruiting Service, from the several Stations abroad, towards bearing the Expences of their Passage; viz. from North America, the West Indies, and Africa, Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings; and from Gibraltar, Five Pounds and Five Shillings; and that those Sums shall be advanced to each Officer, when he shall be sent on the Recruiting Service, by the Paymaster of the Regiment, and shall be placed as a Charge against the Non-effective Fund.”

* * *These Regulations [N^o 2. and 3.] are now of no Authority, excepting as to the Charges prescribed in them: the Pay Office Act having abolished both the STOCK-PURSE and NON-EFFECTIVE Funds, and made a different Provision for the ALLOWANCES TO CAPTAINS.*

N^o 4.ALLOWANCE TO SURGEONS OF DRAGOON REGIMENTS ON
COAST DUTY.

Extract of Lord Barrington's Letter to Colonels of Dragoon
Regiments on Coast Duty in England; dated 5th Aug. 1768.

IT having been represented that, from the necessary Division of the Troops on the Coast Duty, the Charge for Attendance on the Sick and Medicines considerably exceeds the Regimental Stoppage made for that Purpose; I have the Honour to acquaint you, that His Majesty has been graciously pleased to grant an Allowance of Twenty Pounds *per Annum* to each Regiment on the Coast Duty, to make up the Deficiency abovementioned: And this Allowance is to commence from Midsummer 1766, and be charged in the Contingent Bills of the respective Regiments of Dragoons upon such Duty.

**** It is to be remembered, that the Operation of this Letter was superjected by the Regulation of Contingencies in 1784. But an Allowance after the same Rate is, upon Application, still granted to such Dragoon Regiments as have Parties detached on the Coast Duty in England.*

REGULATIONS, &c. PRIOR TO THE 24th OF DEC. 1783.

N^o 5.

HOSPITAL ALLOWANCE TO REGIMENTS OF FOOT.

Copy of Lord Barrington's Letter to Colonels of Regiments of Foot in Great Britain, dated 5th Aug. 1768.

I HAVE the Honour to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure, that, from the 25th Day of June last inclusive, no Charge is to be made for Nurfes or Hospital Expences, or any Charge whatsoever, in Consequence of any Expenditure for Sick Men or Sick Recruits; but, in Lieu of all such Charges, an Allowance is to be made of Thirty Pounds a Year, from Midsummer last, to each of the Regiments of Foot in Great Britain; Fifteen Pounds of which are to be charged, and will be allowed, in each Half Yearly Contingent Bill.

This Allowance being sufficiently ample to bear every Expence that can properly occur for the Relief of the Sick, and being considered as of essential Service to the Regiments, His Majesty has no doubt of your careful Application of it to that Service, agreeably to His most Gracious Intention.

N^o 6.ALLOWANCE OF BREAD IN BARRACKS.

Extract from Lord Barrington's Letter of

July, 1767.

THE King having been pleased to take into His Gracious Consideration the Extraordinary high Price of every kind of Provision at this Time, as likewise the peculiar Difficulties to which Soldiers stationed in Barracks are subject, (Difficulties which do not equally affect any other Troops in His Majesty's Service) has been pleased to grant to them the same Allowance of Bread, which is delivered to Soldiers when they are encamped.

Each Man shall receive a Loaf of Bread of Six Pounds Weight, which is to be the Allowance for Four Days, and for which he is to pay Five Pence; the additional Expence beyond what the Soldier contributes is to be paid by Government.

N^o 7.ALLOWANCE OF POUNDAGE AND STOPPAGES TO REGIMENTS
OF FOOT.

Extract from Lord Barrington's Letter of May, 1771.

IN Consequence of a Warrant under the King's Sign Manual, a Deduction of One Shilling in the Pound has always been made by the Paymaster General of the Forces from the Pay of the whole Army :

His Majesty has been most graciously pleased to direct, that the Private Men of the Infantry should be exempted from this Payment in these dear Times ; as likewise from the Deduction made for the Regimental Paymaster and Surgeon. By this Means the Private Soldier will have Sixteen Shillings and Six Pence a Year more than he now receives, to assist in providing Necessaries for him.

The Serjeants, Corporals, Drummers, and Fifers are to continue to pay the Deduction of One Shilling in the Pound as usual ; but the King is graciously pleased to exempt them likewise from any Deduction for the Regimental Paymaster and Surgeon ; by which Means each Serjeant will have Eight Shillings and Eight Pence ; and each Corporal, Drummer, and Fifer, Six Shillings and Six Pence a Year more than he now receives.

His Majesty has been pleased to direct, that this Bounty to the Serjeants, Corporals, Drummers, Fifers, and Private Men, should take Place from the 25th of December last, agreeable to the Numbers borne upon the present Establishment.

The accustomed Deduction for the Paymaster and Surgeon is to continue to be made from the Serjeants, Corporals, Drummers, Fifers, and Private Men, as before ; but they are to be reimbursed the Amount of such Deduction.

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